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Wabash Plain Dealer's new office now open

The Wabash Plain Dealer's new office is now open on the second floor at 99 W. Canal St.

Two student matinee performances scheduled

The Honeywell Foundation's Educational Outreach Program is presenting two Student Matinee performances of "Miss Nelson Has a Field Day" at 10 a.m. and noon Tuesday, Nov. 19, at Honeywell Center's Ford Theater. Tickets to see Mill Nelson Has a Field Day are \$10 for the public, \$6 per student for schools, with one free adult ticket for each 10 students. For more information, please contact the Honeywell Center Box Office at 260-563-1102.

DivorceCare presents 'Surviving the Holidays' series

The DivorceCare support group, which meets at 6:30 p.m. every Tuesday in Room 112 in the Wabash Friends Church, 3563 South State Road 13, will be offering a DVD series "Surviving the Holidays" from Tuesday, Nov. 19 to Tuesday, Dec. 17. Group leader and members of the group meet for dinner at 5:30 p.m. at Subway, 1812 S. Wabash St., on State Road 15. For more information, call 260-563-8453, 877-350-1658 or group leader Janet Quillen at 260-571-5235; email office@wabash-friends.org; or visit www.divorcecare.org.

'China and Wabash: Working Together Today' program planned

The Honeywell House welcomes Drs. Jim and Mary Ann Bain as they present "China and Wabash: Working Together Today," scheduled for 7 p.m. Tuesday, Nov. 19 at 720 N. Wabash St. This event is free and open to the public. Reservations are encouraged, as seating is limited. Visit www.HoneywellHouse.org or call the Box Office at 260-563-1102.

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MCS bond sale begins

\$995K sought to replace building's roof

BY ROB BURGESS
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On Monday, the Manchester Community Schools' \$995,000 bond sale began after a series of approvals at Tuesday's board meeting.

"We are pursuing a bond of \$995,000 to replace the roof on the Manchester Administration Office/Junior High building this next spring/summer," stated Jeremy Markham, MCS business manager, in response to a Plain Dealer request. "Should we have enough money left from the bond after the replacement of the roof, we would look to replace the boilers at Manchester Elementary School."

At last week's school board meeting, a series of items were approved to allow the district to move



DISCUSSION: Michael Hensley, Manchester Community Schools board member, participates in the discussion of the bond sale during Tuesday's meeting.

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Police chief: 3 people killed in Oklahoma Walmart shooting

BY SEAN MURPHY
Associated Press

DUNCAN, Oklahoma — Two men and a woman were fatally shot Monday morning outside a Walmart store in southwestern Oklahoma, and the shooter is among the dead, authorities said.

Two victims were shot inside a car and the third was died in the parking lot just before 10 a.m. outside the store in Duncan, Police Chief Danny Ford said.

Authorities did not immediately describe a motivation for the shooting. Ford said at a news conference that it appears a gunman shot the male and female victims and then turned the gun on himself.

Stephens County District Attorney Jason Hicks authorities said during the news conference Monday afternoon that there was never an active shooter inside the store and he described the shooting as an isolated incident. He did not further explain.

Two bodies covered with

sheets were visible in the parking lot Monday afternoon. One body was in the driver's seat of a red, two-door car. The other body was lying on the ground next to the vehicle.

Bullet holes were visible in the car's windshield. Police said in a Facebook post that a handgun was found at the scene. At the news conference, Ford described the gun as semi-automatic but said he had no further details. He said the Oklahoma State Bureau of Investigation was still processing the scene.

Ford said he believed nine shots were fired.

Authorities have not released the identities of those killed but did confirm the shooter was among the dead. Ford said all three knew each other but declined to describe their relationships or other identifying information pending notification of immediate family.

He said all three were dead when police arrived at the scene just minutes after

the shooting.

Duncan is about 80 miles south of Oklahoma City. The Walmart is in a commercial center that includes a sporting goods store and a dollar store along U.S. Highway 81, the main road that passes through Duncan heading south toward Texas.

Aaron Helton, of Duncan, said he was parking outside the Walmart where he planned to buy groceries when he heard about nine gunshots.

"I arrived and there were three bodies," Helton said.

Walmart spokeswoman LeMia Jenkins said in an email that no staff members were involved in the shooting and that the store was not evacuated. Ford told The Associated Press that based on the social media posts of the woman who was killed, he believed she may have been a Walmart employee at some time.

It was at least the third shooting at a Walmart in the U.S. this year. A Walmart store in El Paso, Texas, re-

opened Thursday after being closed since August, when a gunman opened fire in the busy store, killing 22. Just days before, two Walmart employees in Mississippi were killed by a man authorities described as a disgruntled Walmart worker.

The killings in Oklahoma come amid a spate of high-profile shootings across the U.S. A 16-year-old student at a high school in the city of Santa Clarita outside Los Angeles shot and killed two classmates and wounded three other teens Thursday before shooting himself in the head. He died the next day.

In New Jersey, players and spectators ran for cover Friday night when a gunman opened fire at a high school football game, wounding two people. And on Sunday, four people were killed and six wounded in Fresno, California, where police say two shooters sneaked into a backyard party and shot into a group of Hmong family and friends

Home in California backyard shooting was targeted

BY TERENCE CHEA
and OLGA R. RODRIGUEZ
Associated Press

FRESNO, Calif. — Police searched Monday for two assailants who sneaked into a backyard party in Fresno and opened fire on a small crowd that had gathered to watch football on television. Four people were killed and six wounded.

The house where a group of Hmong family and friends got together was deliberately targeted on Sunday evening, but the shooters fired at random once they saw men in the yard, police said.

"They fired randomly into the crowd. It does not appear that they were targeting any individuals, and once they fired, they fled," Fresno

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Tallian talks issues after Hill announces re-election campaign

State senator is the only announced Democrat seeking AG office

BY ROB BURGESS
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Last week, Indiana Republican Attorney General Curtis Hill announced his intention to seek a second term despite facing professional misconduct allegations of drunkenly groping four women that threaten his law license.

At the time Hill made his announcement, there was only one other member of his party, John Westercamp, and one Democrat, Sen. Karen Tallian, D-Ogden Dunes, who had announced their intentions to seek his office next year.

Hill has not yet returned a

Plain Dealer request for an interview as of press time.

In a phone interview Friday, Tallian took he time to speak on her reasons for entering the race earlier this year, her long-time advocacy of cannabis-related legislation in Indiana and what she would do if elected to a statewide post.

'Curtis Hill needs to go'

Tallian has been in the Indiana Senate since 2005. She is currently the Senate Democrat caucus chair, is the Ranking Member of the Appropriations Committee and sits on the State Budget Committee. She also serves on the Committees for Corrections & Criminal Code, Pensions & Labor and Energy & Environment.

She has a B.A. from the University of Chicago and graduated Magna cum Laude from Valparaiso University Law School. She has practiced law in north-west Indiana for 29 years.



PROVIDED PHOTO

CANDIDATE: Sen. Karen Tallian, D-Ogden Dunes, is currently the only Democrat who has announced their intention to seek the Indiana Attorney General office during next year's general election.

When asked why she felt the need to run for the statewide position this election

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CONCERT: Southwood Junior-Senior High School choirs will present a concert at 7 p.m. Friday, Nov. 22 at St. Patrick's Church in Lagro.

Southwood choirs to present holiday concert

Singers will perform seasonal and Christmas music Friday in Lagro

STAFF RAEPORT

Southwood Junior-Senior High School choirs will present a concert at 7 p.m. Friday, Nov. 22 at St. Patrick's Church in Lagro, according to a press release.

The singers will present

seasonal and Christmas music including, "Carol of the Bells," "Silver and Gold," "Two French Noels," "Blow, Blow, Thou Winter Wind," "Glow," "Little Drummer

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Indiana mayor indicted over alleged bribe for contract

MUNCIE (AP) — A central Indiana mayor was arrested Monday after being indicted for allegedly taking a \$5,000 bribe in exchange for a public contract.

The theft of government funds charge unsealed Monday alleges Muncie Mayor Dennis Tyler accepted the bribe from an unidentified company in exchange for the awarding of public works projects in Muncie.

The indictment handed down last week said the 76-year-old mayor received the cash through Tracy Barton, the Muncie Sanitary District's former superintendent of sewer maintenance and engineering. Barton was indicted last year on charges of conspiracy to commit wire fraud, falsification of documents and witness tampering.

The bribe was paid sometime between 2014 and Aug. 25, 2016, the indictment said.

Tyler was arrested at his home Monday morning, FBI spokeswoman Chris Baven-der said.

Tyler was arraigned Monday and an automatic not guilty plea was entered for him, U.S. Attorney Josh Minkler said at a news conference. Tyler was later released from custody.

"Public officials are entrusted to perform a public service and to legitimately conduct business in the best interest of the community that they represent," Minkler said. "Tyler not only betrayed the trust of his community, but violated federal law, and all in an effort to serve his own personal interests. My office intends to

prosecute Tyler to the full extent of the law."

The charge Tyler faces carries a maximum prison sentence of 10 years and a \$250,000 fine, Minkler said.

Tyler is a Democrat who has been mayor for eight years after serving in the Indiana House. He did not seek reelection this year. It wasn't immediately known whether he had a lawyer.

Tyler's indictment came amid an ongoing federal investigation that has resulted in Muncie's former building commissioner pleading guilty to money laundering and wire fraud. Craig Nichols was sentenced earlier this year to two years in prison and ordered to pay nearly \$218,000 in restitution to the City of Muncie, the Muncie Sanitary District and developer Dannar Construction.

PULSE

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Tree-lighting ceremony is Nov. 20 at Manchester University

Manchester University will host its annual tree-lighting ceremony on Wednesday, Nov. 20 in front of Petersime Chapel. The Manchester Junior High Choir will perform seasonal selections and carols at 6 p.m., with the lighting at 6:25 p.m. Santa Claus arrives at 6:30 p.m. There will be refreshments and photos with Santa inside Funderburg Library. This celebration is free and open to the public.

Salamonie Preschool 'Nature's Gift of Turkeys' event set

Preschool-age children and their adults are invited to Salamonie Preschool's "Nature's Gift of Turkeys" from 10 to 11:30 a.m. Wednesday, Nov. 20 at Salamonie Interpretive Center in Lost Bridge West State Recreation Area, 3691 New Holland Road. The program fee is \$2 per child. Advance registration is appreciated. Register by calling Upper Wabash Interpretive Services at 260-468-2127.

Common Ground Prayer Ministries plans Prayer Watch

From 6 a.m. to 6 p.m. Wednesday, Nov. 20, Common Ground Prayer Ministries is planning a Prayer Watch Wednesday for Wabash Ministries. We are asking people to come in and pray for half-hour time slots in the prayer room. Focus this month is Friends In Service Here (FISH). You can contact anyone at the prayer room or Janet Shoue with FISH to let them know when you could come. At 10 a.m. every Tuesday, this is a Community Prayer, which is open to all. Contact any of our prayer captains with questions including Debbie Sweet at 260-571-6072, Shirley Neele at 260-591-0047 or Angie Penix at 260-571-9809.

Banner contest awards and reception planned

The 16th Annual Wabash County Winter Banner Competition awards ceremony will take place at 7 p.m. Wednesday, Nov. 20 at the Honeywell Center's Ford Theater. A reception in the main lobby will follow.

Wabash Steel Supply to open new store

The official grand opening for the new retail store will take place from 8 a.m. to 6 p.m. Thursday, Nov. 21, at its new location, 1945 S. Wabash St.

'Johnny Got His Gun' brings horror of war to Manchester

Manchester University will show the film at 7 p.m. Thursday, Nov. 21 in Cordier Auditorium, followed

by a panel discussion.

Zay, Wolkins to host INDOT Indiana 24 project town hall

State Sen. Andy Zay, R-Huntington, will host a town hall meeting along with State Rep. Dave Wolkins, R-Warsaw, to discuss the update on the Indiana Department of Transportation (INDOT) Indiana 24 project from 8 to 9 a.m. Saturday, Nov. 23, at the Honeywell Center's Honeywell Room, 275 W. Market St.

Downtown businesses to extend hours on select dates

Participating shops will be open until 7 p.m. on the following dates: Nov. 23, 24, 29 and 30. Dec. 6, 7, 12, 14, 15, 18, 19, 20 and 21.

Annual Living Gift Market set for Nov. 23

Celebrate Christmas at Heifer International's 32nd Living Gift Market from 10 a.m. to 2 p.m. Saturday, Nov. 23 at Timbercrest Senior Living, 2201 East St., North Manchester. For more information, email Jim Myer at jmyerwdw@yahoo.com.

Holidays to be welcomed with an annual open house

To mark the beginning of the holiday season, the Honeywell House will host its annual Holiday Open House from 1 to 3 p.m. Sunday, Nov. 24, at 720 N. Wabash St.

'A Christmas Story' to be shown at the Honeywell Center

"A Christmas Story" will be shown at 7 p.m. Tuesday, Nov. 26 in the Honeywell Center's Ford Theater. The admission fee will be \$2 per person.

Winter Banner Competition artwork displayed

The students' artwork will hang in the Clark Gallery at the Honeywell Center through Sunday, Dec. 1.

'It's a Wonderful Life' to be shown at the Honeywell Center

"It's a Wonderful Life" will

be shown at 7 p.m. Tuesday, Dec. 3 in the Honeywell Center's Ford Theater. The admission fee will be \$2 per person.

Woman's Clubhouse plans evening Christmas dinner

Don't forget the Christmas evening dinner Thursday, Dec. 5. It is the annual holiday fundraiser with a very special dinner and entertainment. The house will be decorated in an angel theme this year. Contact Carol McDonald by phone at 260-563-2331 or Mary Delauter at 260-563-6613 for more information.

Museum to host Family Fun Night

The Wabash County Historical Museum, 36 E. Market St., will host a Family Fun Night on Friday, Dec. 6, featuring a visit from Santa Claus.

'The Polar Express' to be shown at the Honeywell Center

"The Polar Express" will be shown at 7 p.m. Tuesday, Dec. 10 in the Honeywell Center's Ford Theater. The admission fee will be \$2 per person.

Christmas at the Museum Annual Banquet planned

On Wednesday, Dec. 11, the Wabash County Historical Museum, 36 E. Market St., will be hosting Christmas at the Museum Annual Banquet.

'White Christmas' to be shown at the Honeywell Center






"White Christmas" will be shown at 7 p.m. Tuesday, Dec. 17 in the Honeywell Center's Ford Theater. The admission fee will be \$2 per person.

Breakfast with Santa planned

On Saturday, Dec. 21, Santa will be coming to Breakfast with Santa and will have a special treat for children at the Wabash County Historical Museum, 36 E. Market St.





Editor's note: If you have an upcoming event to submit, please send it by email to news@wabash-plaindealer.com no later than five days before the event itself. Please use complete sentences, Associated Press style and Microsoft Word or PDF file formats.

5-Day Weather Summary

 Tuesday Chance Rain & Snow 43 / 33	 Wednesday Mostly Cloudy 47 / 37	 Thursday Rain Likely 53 / 31	 Friday Partly Cloudy 37 / 28	 Saturday Rain & Snow Possible 39 / 30
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Sun and Moon

Today's sunset 5:27 p.m.
Tomorrow's sunrise 7:40 a.m.

 Last 11/19	 New 11/26	 First 12/4	 Full 12/12
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Detailed Local Outlook

Today we will see cloudy skies with a 30% chance of rain and snow, high temperature of 43°, humidity of 82%. South southwest wind 3 to 8 mph. Snow accumulation of less than one inch possible. Expect mostly cloudy skies tonight with an overnight low of 33°. West southwest wind 1 to 6 mph.

Kids want dad to try hypnosis to quit smoking

DEAR DOCTOR: My sisters and I want our dad to quit smoking, but he says that he's tried before and just can't do it. Should he try hypnosis? Does it work?

DEAR READER: There's no question that quitting smoking can be very difficult. Many of our patients who are trying to quit — as well as those who have successfully stopped smoking — tell us it's one of the most challenging things they've done.

The habit hooks you on multiple levels. First, there are the physical effects of nicotine, a chemical in tobacco products whose addictive properties are considered to be on par with heroin. Nicotine acts as a stimulant in the body, and it causes the brain to release jolts of the feel-good chemical dopamine. Then there are the mental, emotional and social aspects of smoking, which quickly weave the habit into the fabric of daily life. Taken together, these make for a complex and powerful addiction that is notoriously tough to break.

Evidence suggests that hypnosis can be helpful in smoking cessation. The drawback is that techniques used by hypnotherapists are not standardized, which makes the results of this approach hard to measure.

In hypnosis, a therapist uses guided relaxation and concentration to help a person reach a mental state in which they feel simultaneously relaxed, focused and aware. Sometimes referred to as a trance, this mental state also allows the person to be more open to suggestions.

In smoking cessation therapy, a person often is asked to visualize the ways in which the habit harms the health of both themselves and loved ones. They may also be encouraged to confirm the importance of caring for their bodies. Some techniques use specific suggestions that link the scent, taste and tactile sensations of smoking to something deeply unpleasant. For example, telling the person

that when they smoke in the future, they will taste scorched plastic. Hypnosis is also used to introduce positive affirmations to help bolster the smoker's resolve to quit. For instance, "I have stopped smoking forever with ease and comfort."

Hypnosis is often employed as a complementary smoking cessation therapy, which means it's used together with more traditional approaches, such as nicotine patches or nicotine gum, smoking withdrawal medications, behavioral therapy and support groups.

If your father is willing to give hypnosis a chance, your family doctor can help him find a qualified professional. Studies show that people can see results after four or six sessions, particularly when hypnosis is used

in conjunction with other approaches.

Your dad isn't alone in feeling powerless in the face of smoking. In the United States, more than 34 million adults currently smoke cigarettes. This is tragic because cigarette smoking is the leading cause of preventable disease and death in the nation, and it accounts for 1 in every 5 deaths. We hope that you and your siblings will be able to persuade your dad to give quitting another try.

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Elizabeth Ko & Eve Glazier Ask the Doctors



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Showtimes for Friday, November 15 - Thursday, November 21

All showtimes have Closed Captioning available.

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Ford V Ferrari (PG13) Fri: 6:20, 9:30 Sat: 12:45, 3:40, 6:20, 9:30 Sun: 12:45, 3:40, 6:20 Mon-Wed: 6:20	Doctor Sleep (R) Fri: 6:40, 9:10 Sat: 12:35, 3:10, 6:40, 9:10 Sun: 12:35, 3:10, 6:40 Mon-Wed: 6:40	Playing with Fire (PG) Fri: 7:00, 9:40 Sat: 1:05, 4:00, 7:00, 9:40 Sun: 1:05, 4:00, 7:00 Mon-Wed: 7:00


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Lucinda ‘Cindy’ Lee Murphy
Dec. 2, 1954 - Nov. 14, 2019

Lucinda “Cindy” Lee Murphy, 64, Peru, Indiana, passed away on Thursday, Nov. 14, 2019, in the comfort of her home surrounded by her loving family.

Born on Dec. 2, 1954, in Peru, Indiana, she was the daughter of the late David E. and Joan W. Raber Snyder. On May 16, 1987, in the Chapel of the First Baptist Church, in Peru, Indiana, she was married to David E. Murphy, and he survives.



Cindy graduated from North Miami High School in 1973 and went on to Indiana Business School, where she graduated in 1974. She retired from Ford Meter Box in January 2019. Well known for her artistic abilities, she enjoyed creating beautiful hand-made items such as paintings, quilts, baskets, greeting cards, scrapbooks, scarves, hats, and other crocheted items. She recently crocheted hats for cancer patients and donated them to the Cancer Center in Kokomo. Over the years, Cindy operated several businesses, Cindy’s Country Baskets, Over the Moon Creations, and Stampin Up. She enjoyed traveling and spending time crafting with her grandkids.

In addition to her husband, David E. Murphy, Peru, she is survived by 2 daughters, Laura (Jeremy) Flaherty, Danville; and Leslie (John) Flynn, West Lafayette; stepson, Doug (Angela) Murphy, Jefferson, Maryland; and stepdaughter, Deanna (Jamie) Chowning, Fishers; 2 sisters, Valorie (Charles)

Cole, Kirklin; and Lisa (Jeff) Wooten, Peru; grandchildren, Fionn and Eamon Flaherty; Aubrey and Brayden Flynn; Brayton and Blake Myers; and many loving family and friends.

A memorial service in memory of Cindy will be held at 6 p.m. on Friday, Nov. 22, 2019, at the First Baptist Church, Peru, Indiana, with Pastor Charles Cole, officiating.

Visitation with the family will be one hour prior to the service.

In lieu of flowers, Cindy had asked that memorial contributions be made to one of her favorite charities: Scratching Post Cat Rescue, Harvesting Capabilities, or Caring Bridge. The family would also like to thank Jennifer from Elara Caring Hospice for the special care provided to Cindy during her final days.

McClain Funeral Home, Denver, Indiana, has been entrusted with arrangements. The online guestbook can be signed at www.mcclainfh.com.

Ruth E. Oldfather-Wagner

Ruth E. Oldfather-Wagner, 94, North Manchester, passed away Nov. 15, 2019.

Ruth is survived by husband, Dorlan Wagner; sons, Charles Oldfather, Robert (Kathy) Oldfather, and James (Jan) Oldfather; stepsons, Timothy Wagner, Eric (Amy) Wagner, Craig (J.K.) Wagner, Brian (Davonne Rogers) Wagner, Matthew (Karen) Wagner, and Bradford (Joy) Wagner; step-

daughters, Sheila (Gale) Lahr, and Lora (Wendell) Enyeart.; one brother, Larry Yentes; 7 grandchildren and 18 step-grandchildren; one great-grandchild and 20 step-great-grandchildren.

Calling Saturday, Nov. 23, 2019 from 10 a.m. - 12 noon at McKee Mortuary, 1401 State Road 114 West, North Manchester. Funeral services will begin at the conclusion of calling.

Criminal charges expected this week against Epstein guards

BY MICHAEL BALSAMO and TOM HAYS
Associated Press

WASHINGTON — Two correctional officers responsible for guarding Jeffrey Epstein when he took his own life are expected to face criminal charges this week for falsifying prison records, two people familiar with the matter told The Associated Press.

The federal charges could come as soon as Tuesday and are the first in connection with Epstein’s death. The wealthy financier died at the Metropolitan Correctional Center in New York while awaiting trial on charges of sexually abusing teenage girls.

The officers on Epstein’s unit at the federal jail in New

York City are suspected of failing to check on him every half-hour, as required, and of fabricating log entries to claim they had. Federal prosecutors offered the guards a plea bargain, but the AP reported Friday that the officers declined the deal.

The expected charges will be filed by federal prosecutors in Manhattan, who have been investigating Epstein’s Aug. 10 death. The people familiar with the matter insisted on anonymity because they were not authorized to discuss the case publicly.

Both guards were working overtime because of staffing shortages when Epstein was found. The officers have been placed on administrative leave

HP rejects takeover offer from Xerox

BY SARAH SKIDMORE SELL
AP Business Writer

HP Inc. says its board has rejected a roughly \$33.5 billion takeover offer from Xerox.

The Palo Alto, California-based company said Sunday that the cash and stock deal undervalues its business and its board cited concerns about “outsized” debt levels should the companies combine.

HP, which makes computers and printers, said it recognizes the potential benefits of consolidation and remains open to exploring other options to combine with Xerox Holdings Corp.

Both companies have faced difficulties as the demand for printed documents and ink have waned.

Xerox offered earlier this

month to give HP shareholders \$17 in cash and a fractional share of Xerox stock for each share they held in HP. They put the total value of the deal at \$33.5 billion. If the deal had been completed, HP shareholders would own approximately 48% of the combined company.

HP rejected the offer, saying that it has “great confidence”

while the FBI and the Justice Department’s inspector general investigate the circumstances surrounding Epstein’s death.

The city’s medical examiner ruled Epstein’s death a suicide, but that hasn’t stopped conspiracy theories. A forensic pathologist hired by Epstein’s family to observe the autopsy has said authorities could help clear things up by being more transparent.

Epstein’s death ended the possibility of a trial that would have involved prominent figures and sparked widespread anger that he wouldn’t have to answer for the allegations.

Epstein was placed on suicide watch after he was found July 23 on his cell floor with

bruises on his neck. Multiple people familiar with operations at the jail have said Epstein was taken off suicide watch about a week before his death, meaning he was less closely monitored but still supposed to be checked on every 30 minutes.

Investigators believe those checks weren’t done for several hours before Epstein was discovered in his cell with a bedsheet around his neck, another person familiar with the matter told the AP.

The falsification of records has been a problem throughout the federal prison system, which has been plagued for years by systematic failures, from massive staffing shortages to chronic violence.

Patricia A. ‘Pat’ Waldron
Jan. 29, 1939 - Nov. 15, 2019

Patricia A. “Pat” Waldron, age 80, of Wabash, passed away Friday, Nov. 15, 2019 at her home. She was a homemaker and member of Christian Heritage Church, Wabash. She enjoyed puzzles and Hallmark movies.

Pat was born Jan. 29, 1939, in Wabash, a daughter of Walter and Ethel (France) Ulshafer. On Oct. 2, 1963 she married Elba Earl Waldron in Wabash. He passed away Dec. 26, 1998. She is survived by a son Randy (Coty) Waldron of Wabash, a daughter Debbie Seabolt of Huntington, 3 grandsons Brett Michael Waldron, Dayon Waldron, and Chase Waldron, 2 brothers Charlie (Barb) Ulshafer of Wabash, and Don



(Susan) Ulshafer of Arizona, and sister-in-law LaDonna Ulshafer of Wabash. She was preceded in death by her parents and a brother Bob Ulshafer.

Visitation will be held Tuesday, Nov. 19, from 10 a.m. - 12 noon at Christian Heritage Church, Wabash, preceding the 12 noon funeral service at the church. Pastor Tim Prater will officiate. Burial will follow in Memorial Lawns Cemetery, Wabash.

Preferred memorials are to Christian Heritage Church, c/o Deal-Rice Funeral Home, 338 E. Washington St., Huntington, Indiana 46750

Online condolences to dealricefuneralhomes.com

Thomas R. Snavelly
Jan. 25, 1934 - Nov. 16, 2019

Thomas R. Snavelly, 85, of Wabash, Indiana, died at 12 a.m., Saturday, Nov. 16, 2019 at his daughter’s home in Wabash. He was born Jan. 25, 1934 in Wabash to Robert and Leah (Temple) Snavelly.

Tom was a US Navy veteran, serving during the Korean Conflict. He married Genavee Cox in Wabash, Indiana on Feb. 28, 1958; she died Aug. 21, 2018. He retired from Nestles Corp in Kokomo, Indiana and also worked 34 years at Snavelly Machine in Wabash. He was a 63 year member of the Wabash American Legion Post 15. Tom enjoyed gardening, fishing, carpentry work, bird watching, and mushroom hunting.



and Katie (Chris) Crace; 4 great-grandchildren, Maddison Hall, Aiden Hall, Cora Crace, and Tinsley Crace; brother, James (Sue) Snavelly; and 3 sisters, Jeanne Urschel, Katie (Todd) Baer, and Margie (Rick) Baxter, all of Wabash. He was also preceded in death by his parents, great-grandson Mickey Hall, 3 brothers and 3 sisters.

Funeral services will be 10 a.m. Thursday, Nov. 21, 2019 at Grandstaff-Hentgen Funeral Service, 1241 Manchester Ave., Wabash, with Pastor J.P. Freeman officiating. Burial will be in Memorial Lawns Cemetery, Wabash. Friends may call 3 - 7 p.m. Wed. at the funeral home.

The memorial guest book for Tom may be signed at www.grandstaff-hentgen.com.

Pending Services

A. Sue Hann: 80, of Wabash, died at 8:51 am Monday, Nov. 18, 2019, at her home. She is survived by her husband Terry. Services are pending at Grandstaff-Hentgen Funeral Service, Wabash.

Friend says slain woman had a ‘heart of gold’

EVANSVILLE (AP) — A friend of a woman whose remains were discovered in southwestern Indiana more than a year after her slaying says she was selfless and loved spreading joy to others.

Authorities found 29-year-old Evonne Pullen dead and buried earlier this month in an Evansville home’s detached garage. Police say it appears someone tried to

conceal her body and that it had been there for an extended period. Three people have been charged in connection with Pullen’s killing.

Pullen’s friend, Catherine Williams, told the Evansville Courier & Press on Monday that she admired the woman, who moved to Evansville from Winchester, Virginia, for having a “heart of gold” despite hardships.

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Police Chief Andrew Hall said.

Hall said there was no immediate word on a motive, and so far there was no indication that any of the victims knew their attackers, though most could not see them. They described seeing only flashes when the semiautomatic pistols were fired. Officers went door-to-door looking for surveillance video that might help them track down suspects.

The party “was not described as being out of control in any way. It was just a family event,” Hall said. The chief said the shooting scene was graphic and that officers are making the case a priority.

“We’ve got a single focus within the organization, and this is not going to be tolerated in the Southeast (Asian) community or any other community in Fresno,” he added.

California has the nation’s highest population of Hmong, a Southeast Asian ethnic minority, and Fresno has the second-highest population in the United States.

The Fresno County coroner’s office identified the dead as Xy Lee, 23; Phia Vang, 31; Kou Xiong, 38; and Kalaxang Thao, 40, all of Fresno.

Three were found dead when emergency crews arrived. A fourth person died at a hospital. Three remained hospitalized Monday in serious condition, Community Regional Medical Center said in a statement.

Pao Yang, CEO of the Fresno Center, a Hmong community group, said two of the victims were well-known Hmong performers, including a man who sang for mental health clients monthly. He said community elders have reached out to the center for help in the wake of the violence.

“Our community is in mourning, and we still don’t know what’s going on, or who are the suspects,” he said.

Hall said police were investigating whether the shooting was connected to a recent disturbance involving some of the people at the party. He also announced the establishment of an Asian gang task force ahead of the Hmong New Year, out of concern about the possibility of more violence or retaliation.

Concepcion Soto, who has lived next door to the home where the shooting occurred for 12 years, said the family there was always friendly.

“They would have parties in their backyard, but they wouldn’t play music. They would just drink and talk,” she said. “They have been very good neighbors.”

Some residents complained of other shootings in the neighborhood recently. The home where the attack took place is near an industrial area with com-

mercial buildings near the Fresno airport.

Calvin Gatison, who lives on the same block, said the street had been peaceful for years, but at least two shootings happened in recent weeks.

Gatison said his street of single-family homes with manicured front yards is quiet during the week. On weekends, grandfathers can be seen playing with grandchildren in front yards, while other neighbors host outdoor gatherings.

“For something like this to happen in a quiet neighborhood, it scares you,” he said. “This is the third shooting I’ve heard since the middle of September.”

Choua Vang told the Fresno Bee that his neighbor’s house was shot at last week and that he feels unsafe outside after dark.

“We’re thinking about moving out of the neighborhood,” he said. “We don’t know how many more shootings there will be.”

It was at least the second fatal gun attack Sunday in Fresno, the Bee reported. A man in his 20s was shot to death early Sunday at a home in another part of the city. Police have not said whether the incidents could be connected.

The killings came after two other mass shootings in California in what has been an especially violent year for the state.

Last Thursday, a 16-year-old student at a Southern California high school in the city of Santa Clarita outside Los Angeles shot and killed two classmates and wounded three other teens before shooting himself in the head. He died the next day.

And on Saturday, police in San Diego said a husband shot and killed his wife and three of their sons before killing himself. A fourth son wounded in the shooting was on life support on Sunday, family members said.

Rep. Jim Costa, a Democrat who represents the Fresno area in Congress, said he was saddened to hear of another shooting “this time in my own district.” He said in a statement that “thoughts and prayers are not enough!” and urged the Senate to take up gun-control legislation.

There have been eight mass killings in California so far this year, claiming the lives of 33 people, according to a database compiled by The Associated Press, USA Today and Northeastern University.

That’s a dramatic increase from previous years, with eight mass killings in the state for all of 2016-2018.

The increase mirrors the national trend in 2019. There have been 39 mass killings this year in the United States, compared with 25 in 2018, according to the database, which tracks homicides where four or more people are killed, not including the offender.

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Daily scripture

The God who made the world and everything in it, being Lord of heaven and earth, does not live in temples made by man, nor is he served by human hands, as though he needed anything, since he himself gives to all mankind life and breath and everything.

Acts 17:24-25

Ukraine scandal is a microcosm of what we already know: Trump's presidency is a failure

It's easy to get drawn into the drama of the Ukraine story, to be mesmerized by that country's war against Russia and its brazen corruption, by characters like Hunter Biden and Paul Manafort and Lev and Igor and the ever-shifting cast of criminals, prosecutors, diplomats and criminals. We're all learning more than we ever thought we'd know about Kyiv and its internal politics as the House of Representatives focuses its impeachment inquiry on a narrow set of allegations about President Trump's misbehavior there.

But even as members of Congress zoom in tightly on Ukraine, it's important that the rest of us not lose sight of the bigger picture. The Ukraine scandal is, at the end of the day, really just a microcosm, a single piece of a much broader story about this president. What he is accused of doing there is, to one degree or another, what he does everywhere, and it speaks to who he is — his character, his style, his values and his failure as president.

So let's not ignore the wider context in which these allegations have emerged.

Trump, as this page has noted repeatedly, is a man for whom everything is transactional, and who is engaged in a constant struggle for short-term advantage. Blustering, bullying, threatening and arm-twisting are his tools. He doesn't feel bound by the rules and niceties that have guided most of his predecessors, or by the constitutional and institutional limits that have constrained them. Norms, shared values, civil institutions and even the rule of law take a back seat, in his playbook, to the ceaseless struggle for the upper hand. He doesn't seem to make much

distinction between what's good for America and what's good for him personally. His disdain for the truth and his attraction to conspiracy theories are well known.

So, really, was anyone surprised at the allegation that Trump sought to extort from the Ukrainian president a "favor" that would help him in his reelection campaign? Was anyone shocked to be told that Trump would withhold hundreds of millions of dollars in foreign aid that Ukraine desperately needed to defend itself against Russia as leverage to ensure an investigation into Joe and Hunter Biden? Of course you weren't.

The fact is that Trump has shown us who he is over and over and over. Look at the findings of the Mueller report. How many times did Trump try to obstruct that investigation, either by firing FBI director James Comey or seeking to have special counsel Robert S. Mueller III ousted or trying to prevent the public disclosure of evidence or browbeating Atty. Gen. Jeff Sessions into protecting him? These are not the actions of a man who plays by the established rules.

Remember his decision — rescinded in the wake of public outcry — to select his own Trump Doral golf resort as the site of the G-7 summit? That's not the behavior of a man who puts the national interest above his own.

Read the Washington Post's list of Trump's falsehoods; last month it had grown to 13,435 false or misleading claims over 993 days in office. This is not a person who is putting the voters first.

Count the times he has come after California, subjecting our state to

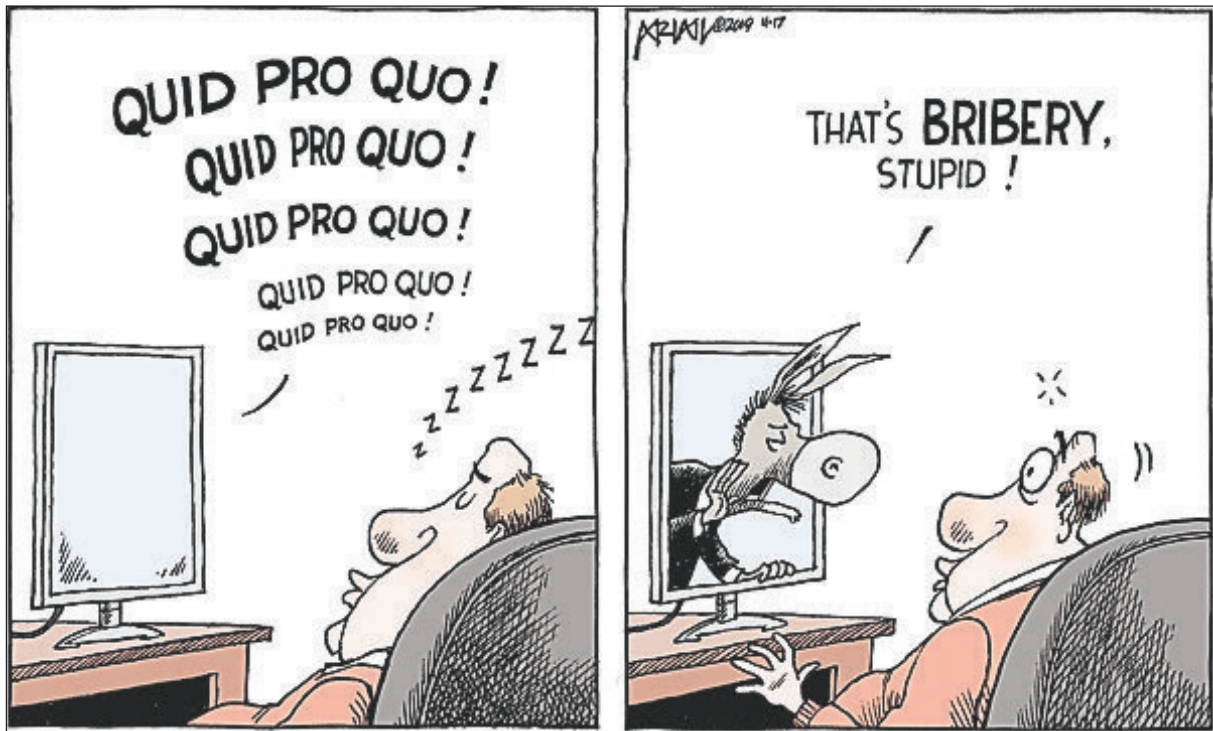
retaliation for our efforts to protect the environment and promote public safety in immigrant-heavy communities. This is a man who does not forgive his perceived enemies.

Consider that prosecutors in New York are scrutinizing the payments made by Trump's personal lawyer just before the 2016 election to buy the silence of porn actress Stormy Daniels, who says she had a tryst with Trump. Trump denies Daniels' claim, but really, can we not all agree that this is not your ordinary president?

It makes sense for the House to focus narrowly in its impeachment inquiry on the specific allegations involving Ukraine to see if they can be proved, to debate their seriousness and to determine the appropriate sanction, if any. But let's not kid ourselves: Trump's alleged behavior there — including the secret Rudolph Giuliani back channel, the punishment of aides seen as not sufficiently loyal, the contempt for traditional diplomacy, the embrace of conspiracy theories, the attempted extortion itself — was entirely consistent with the man we know him to be.

For those of us who are watching the impeachment proceedings from home — and who are still likely to be called upon to vote for or against Trump in November 2020 — it would be myopic to consider the Ukraine allegations in a vacuum, as if this was an isolated example of his unfitness for office. Better to view these egregious charges in the context of all the egregious behavior that has come before, and to bear it all in mind as the saga unfolds.

This editorial was first published in The Los Angeles Times.



One hearing, three articles of impeachment

This is not a food fight, though Republicans seem to wish it were. This is not a cheesy reality show where fake outrage "wins" and substance "loses." This is history.

The first day of public testimony in the House impeachment inquiry produced a stunning account of misconduct by the president of the United States. Two veteran diplomats described an elaborate clandestine scheme in which President Trump sought to coerce the president of Ukraine into trading arms for dirt — nearly \$400 million in desperately needed military aid in exchange for publicly smearing Joe Biden, Trump's potential opponent in the 2020 election.

House Speaker Nancy Pelosi said the testimony of William Taylor, the acting U.S. ambassador to Ukraine, and George Kent, a deputy assistant secretary of state, "corroborated evidence of bribery" by Trump. Pelosi's assessment, in my view, is an understatement. We heard evidence to substantiate at least three articles of impeachment.

There was indeed bribery, which is specifically cited in the Constitution as grounds for impeachment. Trump unilaterally held up the military aid, which had been approved by Congress, and conditioned its release on a public announcement by the Ukrainian president that he would launch a corruption investigation of Biden and his son Hunter.

Republicans seeking to defend Trump made much of the fact that the aid was eventually released — in the language of sports, "no harm, no foul." But the release happened only after Congress

had learned, from a whistleblower's complaint, that the money had been held up. And it happened, as Taylor testified, just before Ukrainian President Volodymyr Zelensky was scheduled to give a CNN interview in which he planned to announce an investigation of the Bidens. Ukrainian officials have said repeatedly that there was actually nothing to investigate.

The federal bribery statute does not require the corrupt exchange to be consummated. For a federal official to seek such a favor, in exchange for an official act, is a crime.

The second impeachable act we heard of at Wednesday's hearing was abuse of power. Kent spent much of his opening statement explaining why U.S. policy under the last four presidents has been to support Ukraine against the existential threat posed by its more powerful neighbor, Russia. Taylor vividly described visiting the front lines where the Ukrainian military is fighting a shooting war against Russian-backed forces. Some of Trump's loudest defenders in Congress have also been among the loudest to insist that holding the line against Russia in Ukraine is vital to U.S. national security.

To put our security at risk — by withholding the military aid — for personal political gain is a gross abuse of power, and clear grounds for impeachment.

The third impeachable act that Trump has committed, and continues to commit, is obstruction of Congress. Republicans complained that since neither Taylor nor Kent was in direct contact with Trump, the evidence they provided was "second-hand" or "hearsay." In fact, both men were careful to describe only what they saw and heard, making a clear distinction between what

they knew and what they surmised. But they appeared, under subpoena, despite Trump administration orders not to testify at all. The House would love to have acting White House chief of staff Mick Mulvaney and others close to president take a turn in the witness chair to give first-hand accounts of Trump's actions. For some reason, Trump won't let them.

The administration has made the outrageous decision to refuse to provide any documents or witnesses to a duly authorized inquiry by the House of Representatives. That is the haughty attitude of a king, not a public servant, and it clearly amounts to intolerable obstruction worthy of impeachment.

All of the above comes from a single public hearing.

In the coming days and weeks, we will learn more about the "drug deal," as former national security adviser John Bolton reportedly called it, that Trump and his lawyer, Rudy Giuliani, were trying to arrange with Ukraine. We will learn more about the activities of Giuliani's associates, Soviet-born businessmen Lev Parnas and Igor Fruman, charged with violating federal campaign finance laws. We will learn more about the role played by Ambassador to the European Union Gordon Sondland, who seems to be so forgetful that one hopes he remembers what day he's supposed to testify. We will learn more about the phone conversation between Sondland and Trump that was overheard by a member of Taylor's staff in a Kyiv restaurant, the day after Trump's shakedown phone call with Zelensky.

History is in motion. Tweets and tantrums cannot stop it.

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Beware claims of a golden age in our economy

There seems to be a great deal of recent romanticizing the 1950s and 1960s. This is particularly the case with a vague vision of a middle class and middle-class neighborhoods. Taken in parts, this is natural reminiscing. Here in the Midwest, these decades were relatively prosperous, and a young man leaving high school could look forward to a job that paid sufficient wages to raise a family. Communities seemed to thrive, churches were full and new housing sprung up in Peoria, Toledo and Detroit.

In the '50s and '60s, divorce was not yet common, so families stayed together more frequently. People belonged to unions and Rotary and bowled together. High school athletic events were important and well attended. For example, basketball games in Muncie or New Castle high schools attracted more spectators than many college games do today. But, rose-colored fondness aside, the world is a much better place today than in the 1950s and 1960s. We would do well to admit it to ourselves. We cannot go back, and are naïve to want to do so.

In 1950, the poverty rate was nearly double what it is today, and vast swathes of the nation were gripped by deep economic decline. The jobs awaiting young men in factories were not ubiquitous. While the Midwest accommodated African-American workers when jobs were plenty, factories in the south did not. Likewise, California and Texas factories didn't welcome Asian or Hispanic workers. Women could work in factories, in some places, but pregnant or married women were expected to be elsewhere.

We were a lot poorer in the '50s and '60s than today. We died on average more than a decade younger than we do today, and were much less healthy into later life. In 1950, more than 29 out of every 1,000 American children died at birth. Today the figure is fewer than six per 1,000 births. These are tragedies still, but tragedies that now afflict far fewer families.

In 1950, over half of American states outlawed mixed race marriages and racial segregation robbed our nation of valuable human capital. To our great shame, this denied the central notion of our Republic that we hold certain truths to be self-evident. Women were routinely shunned from workplaces, and almost four million young men were drafted into military service for the Korean and Vietnam wars.

Americans hold broadly divergent opinions on how families and young people should organize their lives. What we should all agree upon is that these matters are their choices, not that of a government. And if anything is apparent in our ascent towards liberty is that no government possesses the competence to tell adults who they may, or may not marry.

Income inequality at the end of World War II was very similar to that of today, but during the '50s and '60s, we saw considerable wage compression. Now, it is likely that this great compression of wages occurred because educational attainment exploded in the post-war decades. It stalled in the late 1980s, which accompanied rising inequality.

The 1950s and 1960s were not a golden age. While we can look back affectionately at aspects of that age, the notion that we aren't only better off, but profoundly better off today is factually unsupportable. And, to be completely fair, I can say the same thing about every decade since. Surprising as it is, there simply was no halcyon era in which we did everything, or even most things, better than we are today. We would be wise to keep that in mind as we sort through ideas to improve our nation and the lives of our citizens.

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Why you need a financial fire drill

Nine days. That’s how long my daughter was hospitalized after the sudden collapse of her right lung, which required surgery. She’s better now and finally able to breathe again on her own.

Michelle Singletary



I’d like to thank the amazing hospital staff in Houston and everyone who sent encouragement during this difficult time. And even if I can’t respond personally, please know I appreciate your kindness and concern.

This recent emergency prompted me to remind people of the need to have a “life happens” fund, which is meant to stabilize you when there is an expense outside of your regular budget. Without it, many folks fall behind on their bills and can’t catch their financial breath.

We are a country divided by extreme wealth and poverty. At one end of the economic spectrum, people can easily afford an emergency. At the other end, there are those whose income covers only the bare necessities of life. A \$200 emergency can set them back. This economic divide is very troubling and one that we as a society need to fix.

There’s also a swath of middle-class Americans who can save but don’t. They have more than enough to live comfortably with extra cash left over. In a recent column, I encouraged this group to examine their spending and make saving a priority.

To my disappointment, this plea was met with quite a bit of criticism.

One reader wrote: “Was this column really necessary?”

This comment sparked a debate, with some arguing that to even say folks should save is pointless.

“With everything we have to pay for, we just don’t need to be condescended to,” another reader wrote. “People do their best.”

This is just not true. Many people who are capable of saving are not doing their best. This is not a statement meant to shame or humiliate. I understand that stating the obvious can make people feel bad about their choices, but that doesn’t negate the need for the advice.

Not that I should have to explain, but the constant drumbeat to save is not unlike the need for a fire drill.

Why do we need to practice for a fire?

Because during a crisis, we often can’t think straight. We panic, and that can lead to devastating consequences. Yet, as adults,

we sometimes resist this safety precaution. How do you feel when you hear the siren blaring during a fire drill on your job?

You probably see it as an annoyance. Or, you don’t take it seriously, perhaps taking your sweet time to evacuate.

The same can be said for the practice of saving. People get annoyed when told that they need an emergency fund. But when a financial fire breaks out, they panic, because they ignored advice to prepare for when life happens.

A new survey from AARP found that one-half of adults have experienced an unexpected financial challenge in the past year. The most common emergency was a medical expense, loss of income or a necessary repair. The median cost ranged between \$3,000 and \$4,000.

Over sixty percent of Americans who had an emergency expense said that they delayed paying household bills, and over half used a credit card.

AARP points out in its report that a growing body of research shows how common and destabilizing unexpected financial challenges can be for all income levels, racial/ethnic backgrounds, genders and age groups.

“When a financial emergency happens, families are under stress, and the natural

instinct is often to take the quickest step to solve the problem,” said Gary Koenig, vice president for financial security at the AARP Public Policy Institute. “But this can lead to a decision that makes a difficult situation financially worse in the long run.”

To help plan for the unexpected, AARP has launched a free “Money Map” online tool.

“We know that money is inevitably emotional,” Koenig said. “Stress limits our ability to make well-informed decisions”

With Money Map (<https://moneymap.aarp.org>), consumers answer a few questions and are given general guidance on how to handle a number of possible hardships. Consider the exercise a financial fire drill.

“Your [column] actually jolted some sense into me,” one reader admitted. “Thankfully, all my loved ones are in the same city as me, but I don’t have anything for a rainy day and [I have] a ton of debt. I get my nails done, eat out, yadda, yadda. It is the ‘I deserve this,’ ‘live for today,’ ‘it’s my money, I’ll treat myself’ trap. Thank you for the bucket of cold water in the kisser I needed!”

A fire drill, a splash of cold water – whatever it takes to get you to prepare for the unexpected. Because it will happen.

Lutheran Health Network to recognize nurses

DAISY Foundation highlights those who ‘go above and beyond’

STAFF REPORT

Lutheran Health Network has announced its collaboration with The DAISY Foundation to recognize nursing professionals who go above and beyond to provide extraordinary, compassionate nursing care for patients and families every day, according to a press release.

The DAISY Foundation is a nonprofit organization established in memory of J. Patrick Barnes by members of his family. In late 1999, Patrick died at the age of 33 from complications of Idiopathic Thrombocytopenic Purpura (ITP), a little known but not uncommon autoimmune disease. The care Patrick and his family received from nurses while he was ill inspired this unique way of thanking those professionals for making a profound difference

in the lives of their patients and patient families.

Patients, families and colleagues can nominate nurses from any LHN hospital, urgent care clinic or Lutheran Health Physicians office for The DAISY Award. Recipients will be selected from each location and awards will be presented throughout the year at celebrations attended by each honoree’s colleagues, patients and special visitors. Honorees receive an “Extraordinary Nurse” commendation, a DAISY Award pin and a hand-carved sculpture called “A Healer’s Touch,” created by artists of the Shona Tribe in Zimbabwe.

For more information on this award, or to share a story of gratitude about your nurse, visit www.lutheranhealth.net/daisy-award.

DO JUST ONE THING

BY DANNY SEO

Do you thoroughly wash your toothbrush after you brush your teeth? You may not actually need to be so diligent about keeping it clean. Toothpaste has some antibacterial properties, so

leaving a little toothpaste residue on the bristles can help prevent germs and bacteria from building up. Just give the brush a rinse under water before using, and don’t worry about washing it out completely when you’ve finished.

Yes, your kid can get a degree with no debt. Here’s how

When it comes to a college education, many parents have accepted as fact that student loans are the gateway to financial freedom for their children.

Think about that for a moment.

Debt has become the default for families trying to ascend the economic ladder. But debt, when overused, can tip you over and make you crash.

I’ve found that when people start with a promise to themselves and their children – a degree with no debt – they make different choices. And those choices help folks achieve real wealth sooner.

If you’re not being strangled with student loans starting out, you’re more likely to start investing for retirement. The sooner you start saving, the more time you have for your money to grow.

To help you believe the impossible is possible, for this month’s Color of Money Book Club I’m recommending “Debt Free Degree” by Anthony O’Neal (Ramsey Press, \$19.99).

O’Neal is a protégé of Dave Ramsey, the anti-credit card champion of living on beans and rice because, as he frequently tells his millions of followers, “if you will live like no one else, later you can live like no one else.”

In the foreword of O’Neal’s book, Ramsey sets the tone for a guide that pulls no punches.

“Our culture has become stupid about being educated,” Ramsey writes. “That’s a dangerous paradox, and it’s led to a crushing student loan crisis in America today.”

Need I point out again that outstanding student loan debt has reached \$1.5 trillion?

As part of Ramsey Solutions, O’Neal travels the country talking to teens and young adults, trying to keep them from taking on decades of debt for their undergraduate degree. But this guide is his plea to parents.

“Student loans keep you or your kid paying for their past when you should both be enjoying your present and future,” O’Neal writes. “I meet way too many smart, talented young people whose lives are being choked by debt.”

O’Neal speaks from experience. Although his college tuition was paid for through his father’s GI Bill, he took out student loans to elevate his lifestyle. He borrowed \$10,000 in student loans, and foolishly ran up \$15,000 in credit card debt and another \$10,000 in furniture-store loans.

Partying too hard got him kicked out of school. “I went from a future-college graduate to sleeping in my car in a Walmart parking lot,” he writes.

But when you go through a test, you often come out with a testimony. O’Neal uses his hard-life lessons to

deliver a message of hope with a cautionary tale: Poor choices can change everything.

So, how do you get your child through college without the debt? O’Neal covers the usual advice of saving early, searching for scholarships and encouraging your child to take Advanced Placement classes. But here’s the heart of his guidance.

■ Don’t make a decision based on emotions. Parents are often so panicked about their children succeeding that it drives them to do whatever it takes to get them into their desired college, even if it means taking on gargantuan loans. But good decision-making involves a plan, not panic.

■ Drop the dream. So many loans are the result of parents giving into children who just have to go to their dream school.

“The only dream school out there is the one that you can graduate from debt-free,” O’Neal says.

■ Don’t rule out community college. I’ve long advocated that community college shouldn’t be seen as a last resort, but as a more economical first choice. You can significantly cut the cost of college by encouraging your child to take general education or prerequisite classes at a community college, and then he or she can transfer to a four-year school and complete their education.

■ Don’t give into your

pride and prejudice. Many people look down on the choice of a community college. They think a prestigious university is the best ticket to a higher lifestyle. “Your child’s future success does not depend on an elite education,” O’Neal preaches. “A hundred thousand dollars of debt isn’t going to open doors for them – it’s going to close them.”

If you just can’t imagine paying cash for college, O’Neal’s advice may seem overly optimistic – even absurd.

But this book is a tough-love lecture about making the seemingly impossible a reality. You just have to hate debt bad enough to embrace his assurance that with a plan, your kid can make it through college without student loans.

I’m hosting an online chat about the “Debt Free Degree” at noon Eastern on Dec. 12 at washingtonpost.com/discussions. O’Neal will join me to answer your questions about paying for college.

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New, old drugs may offer fresh ways to fight heart disease

BY MARILYNN MARCHIONE
AP Chief Medical Writer

PHILADELPHIA — Novel drugs may offer fresh ways to reduce heart risks beyond the usual medicines to lower cholesterol and blood pressure.

One new study found that heart attack survivors benefited from a medicine long used to treat gout. Several experimental drugs also showed early promise for interfering with heart-harmful genes without modifying the genes themselves – in one case, with treatment just twice a year.

The research was featured

at an American Heart Association conference ending Monday in Philadelphia.

“There’s a lot of excitement” about the new gene-targeting medicines, especially because they seem to last so long, said Dr. Karol Watson, of the University of California, Los Angeles.

Scientists have been exploring gene therapy – altering DNA – to attack the root cause of many diseases. The new drugs essentially accomplish the same thing without tampering with genes, said the University of Pennsylvania’s Dr. Daniel Rader, who has consulted for

some makers of these drugs.

The medicines work by silencing or blocking messages that genes give to cells to make proteins that can do harm, such as allowing cholesterol to accumulate. The first few of these “RNA-interference” drugs recently were approved for other conditions, and research is also targeting heart disease.

Farthest along is inclisiran, tested in 1,561 people with heart disease from clogged arteries who still had high LDL, the bad form of cholesterol, despite taking standard drugs. They were given a shot of inclisiran or a dum-

my drug when they joined the study, three months later and then every six months.

The drug lowered LDL by 56% without serious side effects. More testing will show whether it also lowers heart attacks and other problems, not just cholesterol. Inclisiran’s maker, The Medicines Company, plans to seek federal approval for it later this year.

Two other RNA interference drugs aim at a different target – triglycerides, another fat in the blood that’s elevated in one quarter of Americans. Treatments include very low-fat

diets, weight loss, fish oil and drugs, but doctors say more and better therapies are needed.

Each RNA interference drug was tested at various doses in 40 people. A single shot lowered triglycerides by 30% to 67%, and the benefit lasted for at least four months. The studies were just intended to show safety; Arrowhead Pharmaceuticals is developing both drugs.

Other research found new benefits from older drugs. AstraZeneca’s Farxiga, originally developed to treat diabetes, also lowered the risk of heart problems in heart

failure patients who did not have diabetes. Among 2,605 of such patients treated for 18 months, about 9% of those on Farxiga had worsening heart failure or heart-related death versus nearly 13% of those not given the drug. That worked out to a 27% lower risk, without extra serious side effects.

Surprising benefits also were seen in a Canadian study of the decades-old gout drug. The anti-inflammatory drug colchicine – sold as Colcrys, Mitigare and in generic form – was tested in 4,745 people who recently had a heart attack.

Prince Andrew’s efforts to put scandal behind him backfire

BY DANICA KIRKA
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LONDON — Prince Andrew’s effort to put the Jeffrey Epstein scandal behind him may have instead done him irreparable harm.

While aides are trying to put the best face on his widely criticized interview with the BBC, royal watchers are asking whether he can survive the public relations disaster and remain a working member of the royal family.

The question facing Queen Elizabeth II and her advisers is how to protect the historic institution of the monarchy from the taint of a 21st-century sex-and-trafficking scandal and the repeated missteps of a prince who has been a magnet for bad publicity as he struggles to find a national role for himself.

“Prince Andrew, I think, really has to stay out of the limelight for the moment because there really, I think, is no coming back from the damage that was done ... at least, not in the near future,” Kate Williams, a royal historian and professor at Reading University, told ITV News.

Andrew, the second son of Queen Elizabeth II, tried to end years of speculation about his role in the Epstein scandal by granting a no-holds barred interview to Emily Maitlis, the respected presenter of the BBC’s Newsnight program. But the strategy backfired when the prince failed to show empathy for the young women who were exploited by Epstein even as he defended his friendship with the American financier who was a convicted sex offender.

Epstein died Aug. 10 in a New York prison while awaiting trial on sex trafficking charges. His death has been ruled a suicide by the city’s medical examiner.

Maitlis, writing Monday

in the Times of London, said planning for the interview began after Epstein’s death. Andrew’s management team knew they had a problem with the prince’s well-documented ties to Epstein and that previous written statements by the prince denying any involvement by the prince in Epstein’s crimes “perhaps lacked the conviction of a human voice behind them,” she said.

“They feel that a Newsnight interview is the only way to clear the air. To put across his side of the story,” Maitlis wrote, describing discussions with the prince’s staff.

But when the 55-year-old prince got that chance in an interview broadcast Saturday night, he appeared awkward and overly legalistic.

While Andrew said he regretted staying at Epstein’s Manhattan home in 2010, after Epstein had served a prison sentence for a sex crimes conviction, Andrew defended his previous friendship with the billionaire investor because of the contacts it provided when he was preparing for a role as Britain’s special trade representative.

The prince denied sleeping with Virginia Roberts Giuffre, who says she was trafficked by Epstein and had sex with Andrew on three occasions, including twice when she was 17.

Andrew went on to say that an alleged sexual encounter in London with Giuffre couldn’t have occurred on the day that she says it did because he spent the day with his daughter Princess Beatrice, taking her to a party at Pizza Express in the London suburb of Woking and then back to the family home. He also said Giuffre’s description of him buying her drinks and sweating heavily as they danced together could not be correct

because he doesn’t drink and had a medical condition at the time that meant he could not sweat.

Those answers have been widely mocked on social media, with Twitter users sharing pizza jokes and photos of an apparently sweaty Prince Andrew.

Nowhere during the almost one-hour interview, which took place inside Buckingham Palace, did the prince express sympathy for Epstein’s victims.

One exchange in particular captured the coldness for which Andrew is being criticized.

Andrew: “Do I regret the fact that he has quite obviously conducted himself in a manner unbecoming? Yes.”

Maitlis: “Unbecoming? He was a sex offender?”

Andrew: “Yeah. I’m being polite.”

Lisa Bloom, a Los Angeles-based attorney for five of Epstein’s alleged victims, called the interview with the prince “deeply disappointing.”

“He is entitled to deny allegations and defend himself,” she said. “But where is his apology for being so closely associated with one of history’s most prolific pedophiles?”

Attorney Gloria Allred called on the prince to voluntarily speak to the FBI about what he knows about Epstein. She made the comment during a news conference in Los Angeles about a new lawsuit filed against Epstein’s estate by a woman identified only as Jane Doe 15.

While Andrew’s older brother, Prince Charles, is heir to the British throne, he himself is only eighth in the line of succession. He served in the Royal Navy for more than 20 years, including during the 1982 war over the Falklands Islands, before retiring in 2001.

California sues e-cigarette maker Juul over ads, youth sales

BY MATTHEW PERRONE
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WASHINGTON — California on Monday sued the nation’s biggest e-cigarette maker, alleging that Juul Labs deliberately marketed and sold its flavored nicotine products to teenagers.

The lawsuit from California’s attorney general is the latest legal action against Juul, the multi-billion dollar vaping startup that has been widely blamed for helping spark the teen vaping craze.

California is the second state to sue the company, following a North Carolina lawsuit in May. Illinois, Massachusetts and several other states are also investigating the company.

A Juul spokesman said the company’s intended customers are adult smokers, adding “we do not intend to attract underage users.”

Under intense pressure, the company has suspended its U.S. advertising and halted sales of all but two of its flavors, menthol and tobacco. Additionally, the company shuttered its social media accounts, tightened age verification for online sales and replaced its CEO.

San Francisco-based Juul is the best-selling e-cigarette brand in the U.S. controlling roughly two-thirds of the retail market.

The lawsuit from California Attorney General

Xavier Becerra argues that Juul’s past marketing efforts online and in major U.S. cities used bright colors and youthful models to attract underage users. Federal law bans sales to those under 18.

California officials said they are seeking money to help pay for anti-vaping advertisements.

“Juul ran big tobacco’s playbook and the results were predictable – millions of teens and young Americans now use their product,” said Becerra, at a Sacramento press conference announcing the lawsuit. “In California, we will not allow kids to be lured in by deceptive practices.”

ISSUES

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cycle, Tallian said the reasons were simple.

“Curtis Hill needs to go. That’s the number one reason ... but, there are many other things. I think the thing that finally put me over the edge was his filing the suit against the Affordable Care Act (ACA) and trying to get rid of insurance for the state of Indiana,” she said. “There are so many issues where we just are opposite ends, and I just feel the state is not as far right as Curtis Hill is. And we need to have another voice.”

Tallian was referring to Hill’s decision in May to make Indiana one of 17 states to join in a brief urging the U.S. Court of Appeals for the 5th Circuit to declare the ACA unconstitutional. Such a decision would uphold a U.S. District Court decision from last year regarding the act, which is also known as Obamacare, according to a press release.

This brief argues that Obamacare, in its current form, imposes rising costs

and gives too much power to the federal government while simultaneously stripping power from the states.

Tallian said Hill occupies the “far-right position” on that and several issues.

“I don’t think that three years ago when he ran that he played himself as far right as he turned out to be,” she said. “The first thing that I would do in office is to withdraw Indiana from that lawsuit and there many lawsuits or amicus briefs that Hill has been involved in that I would just not go there. I would change the course of the litigation for the state of Indiana.”

Cannabis legislation in Indiana

Tallian is well known for her work to decriminalize possession of marijuana and to allow for medical marijuana.

Tallian said if she were to be elected attorney general she would help guide the legislature, even though she could no longer file bills.

Tallian said one example was Senate Bill 516, which legalized and regulated agricultural hemp in Indiana, but also made smokeable hemp illegal.

“As far as I can see, that

just made all the CBD oils illegal. And I said that at the end of the last session (but) they passed it anyway,” she said. “Then, immediately there was a lawsuit filed. And there is currently an injunction. Curtis Hill defended that lawsuit. I would have never have defended that lawsuit because I would have said, ‘Hey, this language doesn’t work. It’s vague it’s inconsistent and it doesn’t make any sense with the rest of the statute.’”

Tallian said defending this law in the federal appeals courts “makes no sense.”

“As an AG, even though I might not be able to write legislation, I can certainly help or attempt to influence legislation,” she said.

Tallian said if elected, she would also join other Democratic attorneys general who are seeking to have marijuana taken off the list of drugs on the Schedule I of the Controlled Substances Act, where it currently sits alongside other substances including heroin.

“I would be in a position to try to move that forward, just from another place,” she said. “I have several issues that go well beyond Curtis Hill’s behavior.”

CONCERT

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Boy” with “Peace on Earth,” the gospel song “Nothin’ But Glory” and more.

An organ prelude will be

presented at 6:45 p.m. featuring Peggy Coppler.

The concert will begin with the ringing of the church bell from the historic church’s belfry.

The public is invited to attend.

Donations will be gratefully accepted at the end of the concert to help preserve the church and to help fund the school’s music program.

Susan Keefer is the choral director and Gail Vaughn is the accompanist.

SALE

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ahead with the sale:

- Conduct Additional Appropriation Hearing. This allowed public comment on the bond. However, there was no public comment at the hearing.
- Additional Appropriation Resolution. “The school board must approve the appropriation of the bond proceeds to be spent on the project costs before any bond money can be expended,” stated Markham. This was approved unanimously.
- Final Bond Resolution. “This Final Bond Resolution establishes the amount to be borrowed, maximum term of repayment and maximum interest rate. It also contains the details about the bonds, such as the form of the bond. The resolution also authorizes the publication of the notice of sale for the bonds and establishes the maximum cost an underwriter or bank may bid for the bonds. It also establishes a bid committee who will award the bonds to the lowest bidder,” stated Markham. This was also approved unanimously.
- Resolution Approving Amended and Restated Post Issuance Compliance Procedures. “The IRS and the SEC have increasingly sought written procedures for governmental entities who issue bonds. The approval of the Amended and Restated Post-Issuance Compliance Procedures satisfies such requirements. Further, the new, updated procedures account for recent changes in federal tax and securities law,” stated Markham. This was also approved unanimously.

One item which was not approved, but instead tabled, was an item to hire an architect and engineer for the project.

“Since the project is over \$150,000 we must hire an architect/engineer to be able to bid the roof project out once we get to that point. Barton-Coe-Vilemaa is architect firm we would like to use. Their contract was tabled so that we could go back to them to have them add the scope of work for the boilers at Manchester Elementary in the event we determine to have the funds to replace those. The bond process is not delayed due to this as it is a separate contract from the bond sale,” stated Markham.

At the meeting, David Terflinger, MCS board member, raised questions about going forward with the contract at this point.

“Since the boilers are going to be over \$150,000 too, I question why we’re not including that saving a few bucks, trying to make a plan to save some money on the architectural costs if we have both plans ready to go even if we don’t submit the boilers until we’re ready. If we’re going to pay them a fee to do this, if we include that if a boiler quits in the middle of February we already have everything speeded out,” he said.

Terflinger said combining the two projects into one contract might save money

in the long run.

“Instead of doing this and then having to hire them to do it again in the spring. Do it as one contract and do both. Spec out both projects even though we only send one out for bid. That way we already know what boiler we need, how many pumps we’re going to need and all that stuff,” he said.

Markham said he wasn’t sure they would have enough money to complete both projects given some of the unknowns.

“We were close to whether we’d be able to do the boilers just based on the information that we’ve gathered on the roof. And then not knowing if once we tear the roof off what we may get into may put us into a position where we wouldn’t be able to do the boilers. And that any monies that we may have left over that wouldn’t be enough to do the boilers, we could put that in a construction fund and then we could determine then what we wanted to do down the road what we wanted to do with the boilers and if it’s stuff that we can set aside from our budget, or if we’d have to go out and do more,” he said.

In the end, the motion to table the item carried by a vote of 6 to 1.

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Knights routed by Vikings

Southwood's girls' basketball team traveled to Huntington on Saturday and was easily dispatched by the Vikings, 52-14. Erin Lehner had five points, Ella Hauptert four, MaKenna Pace three and Ashley Smith two.

Browns QB Mayfield wins appeal after fine for ripping refs

BEREA, Ohio (AP) — Baker Mayfield doesn't have to put up money for his mouth. The Browns quarterback won his appeal and won't have to pay a \$12,500 fine he received from the NFL last month for criticizing officials. Following Cleveland's 32-28 loss to the Seattle Seahawks on Oct. 13, Mayfield called the officiating "pretty bad" and he was particularly critical of a blindside block penalty called against Browns wide receiver Jarvis Landry.

Mayfield knew he would probably be fined for the comments, and the league handed down its penalty a few days later. The second-year QB, who has played well in Cleveland's past three games, didn't back down from his initial criticism of the officials, saying, "people have to be held accountable for their job. When it affects my job, it sucks because it's not in my control." The Browns (4-6) have been one of the league's most penalized teams this season. They've been flagged 87 times.

Bettman unwilling to 'start another news cycle' on Cherry

TORONTO (AP) — NHL Commissioner Gary Bettman declined to elaborate Monday on commentator Don Cherry's polarizing remarks and dismissal, saying the matter has been sufficiently covered. "I believe the CBC has had a number of statements, we've had a number of statements, Don has spoken and I'm not going to start another news cycle," Bettman said during a panel discussion at the PrimeTime sports management conference. The 85-year-old commentator was fired a week ago for calling immigrants "you people" in a television rant in which he said new immigrants are not honoring the country's fallen soldiers. His firing by Sportsnet has dominated Canadian news. The league earlier described Cherry's comments as "offensive and contrary to the values we believe in."

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HIGH SCHOOL BASKETBALL

Fresh faces, same rivalry

Eagles edge out Norse in thriller

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The bodies in the jerseys may have been different on Friday night but the matchup was as intense as it's always been between Northfield and Oak Hill's girls' basketball teams. After deep state tournament runs by both sides last season, graduation depleted each side's roster this spring. With just two main holdovers in the starting lineups, the teams that took the court on Friday hardly resembled last year's counterparts. It was those holdovers in Taylor Westgate for the Eagles and Addi Baker for the Norse that played the biggest roles on the night, scoring a combined 24 second-half points. Oak Hill, though, would be the side to rally to come from behind and earn a 43-40 victory. "It's a big win for us," Eagles head coach Todd Law said. "Obviously, we were 0-2 coming in. We just needed positive to go right tonight. We started out, obviously, very slow getting down six or seven there in the first quarter but came back and won the last three



BASKETBALL: Northfield's Emma Hoover drives baseline around an opponent during Friday's game against Oak Hill.

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Kyle dominates as Apache offense struggles



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BASKETBALL: Wabash's Nici Gunderman brings the ball upcourt during the second half of Saturday's game against Marion.

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Any team tasked with facing a 6'5" post player committed to a Division I program will be in for a rough night. Facing two in as many contests is as daunting a challenge as there comes. As was the case for Wabash on Saturday night. Two days removed from traveling to Mississinewa to face Toledo-bound Caily Bolser, the Apaches welcomed Marion and Purdue commit Rashaya Kyle to Coolman Gymnasium. Kyle proved her worth on the night, pouring in a game-high 21 points to go with 19 rebounds while anchoring a Giants defense that limited the Apaches to 13 percent shooting on the night as Marion won 44-17. "I told the girls in the locker room that the effort things, which were rebounding and defense, we did really well at," Wabash head coach Matt Stone said. "We out-rebounded them. We've out-rebounded two teams in a row with 6'5" girls. Our effort on the boards has been really good. I thought our defense the first half was excellent. It wasn't bad in the second half. Those effort stats were good." "So, what was poor? We had 21 turnovers which was better than (Thursday) night when we had 30. But we also shot 13 percent," he added. "And we didn't run

and execute stuff we talked about. There are things we have to do to get better shots. Now, we're not running into anymore 6'6" girls. We just have to think through offense a little better. We just have to do a better job of knocking down shots." Offense was a slog throughout for Wabash. The Apaches' first field goal didn't come until 17 seconds into the second quarter on a Libby Matter three-pointer. But Marion's own offensive struggles on the night kept the game close with Mattem's basket pulling Wabash within two at 6-4. "We were getting wide-open looks but Rashaya was rushing, Ellie (Vermilion) was rushing," assistant coach Julius Mays, who served as coach for the night with head coach Lawrence Jordan out with personal matters, said. "Our other four players were rushing. We just weren't in a great rhythm at all. We were playing great defense but just giving it right back to them on offense by taking the first shot...instead of working it around and doing what we do." A pair of Kyle buckets were preceded by a basket from Shalay Jeffries in the first quarter as the Giants led 6-1 at the quarter break. An initial trading of baskets in the second period saw the

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Squire comeback falls short to Braves

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The TRC girls' basketball race opened on Saturday night as Manchester hosted Maconaquah for a chance to claim the first lead in the conference standings during the 2019-20 season. An 18-point deficit stared the Squires in the face during the third quarter but the hosts steadily chipped away at the gap, closing to within four points of the visitors before the Braves finally sealed the game late for a 50-43 win. Manchester head coach Josh Troyer said the team had some struggles on offense early but kept grinding away and needed a couple more minutes to get the job

done than they had. "We told the girls we need to keep looking for our shots and continue to believe in ourselves," Troyer said. "We're a team that doesn't have its offensive identity yet and we're still searching for it. We played hard. We were down 18 and got it to a point where we were down four and with a chance at the line to make it a one-possession game. "We were where we wanted to be but didn't get the free throw, (Maconaquah) stretched the lead back out and we just ran out of time," Troyer added. There was no easing in period to the game as Manchester stole a pass and fed Emma Garriott for a quick

layup for a 2-0 lead. Alex Merritt replied on the other end only for Garriott to nail a three, hit a layup and convert another layup off a steal for a 9-2 lead. "(Emma) was aggressive early," Troyer said about the junior guard. "I loved the way she came out and got good looks. Other girls got some good looks but didn't hit them and we lost some confidence early on." The Braves continued to feed Merritt underneath and the sophomore scored the next three baskets for the visitors, bringing the gap down to 9-8 after converting following a Monica Moore block on the defensive end. Lilly Maple tied the game at the free throw line be-

fore McKenna Wilson gave Maconaquah the lead, followed by baskets from Brianna Hubenthal and Maple to stretch the advantage to 15-9. Garriott hit a free throw to bring the gap down to 15-10 at the end of the first quarter though it would be the last Squire points for nearly four minutes. Moore scored off a Hubenthal steal for the first points of the second quarter though both teams entered a bit of a slow period, only broken after three minutes when Maple hit a free throw and a three-pointer to give the Braves a 21-10 lead. Ainsley West finally gave

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NFL

Mack's injury gives other running backs a chance

BY MICHAEL MAROT
AP Sports Writer

INDIANAPOLIS — Jordan Wilkins eagerly embraces playing a bigger role in the Indianapolis Colts' offense. The second-year running back is about to get his chance. With Marlon Mack out indefinitely because of a fractured right hand, Wilkins and Jonathan Williams will share the bulk of the carries starting Thursday night at Houston. "We have some great running backs around here, we just have to fill in," Wilkins said Monday. "We're confident." They should be given the Colts' ability to overcome obstacles all season. The 33-13 victory over Jacksonville on Sunday was just the latest example. Mack continually hurt Jacksonville's defense, racking up 109 yards and one touchdown before hurting his hand on a 20-yard run in the third quarter. But when he left, the Colts stayed the course — even with Wilkins inactive because of an ankle injury. They plugged in Williams, who had only 32 carries in his first 3½ seasons, and Williams responded by running for a career-high 116 yards on 13 carries. Indy (6-4) finished with 264 yards rushing, its highest total since 2004, and produced two 100-yard rushers for the first time since October 1985.

So when coach Frank Reich announced Monday that Mack already undergone a "procedure" on his hand, Reich didn't even give a second thought about how the Colts cope without their top runner. "More than likely that's how it will play out, Jonathan and Jordan will split that role but we love Nyheim (Hines) running the ball, too," he said. "We'll miss Marlon. Obviously, he's having a great year, but we like all three of those guys." Why change now? Indy wouldn't be here, tied for the AFC South lead with a chance to sweep the Texans and improve to 4-0 against division foes if it didn't believe in its depth. They've won this season despite Andrew Luck's sudden retirement, despite losing four-time Pro Bowl receiver T.Y. Hilton for four games with assorted injuries, despite losing All-Pro linebacker Darius Leonard for three games with a concussion and despite Adam Vinatieri's kicking struggles. So now, without their top runner, Reich believes the only real change will be the names. And Wilkins agrees. "We'll be ready," he said. "It's a big game because it's a division opponent, but we've got to be ready for the whole 60 minutes."

WHAT'S WORKING

Scoring defense. The Colts are going old school with power-running and a defense with an aversion to allowing touchdowns. In the past six games, Indy has allowed nine touchdowns — including a 96-yard interception return at Pittsburgh and a meaningless score with 65 seconds left Sunday. Those teams have averaged 17.3 points and four of the six have scored 16 points or fewer.

SCOREBOARD

HIGH SCHOOL BASKETBALL

Indiana High School Girls Basketball Top 10 Teams
The Indiana Coaches of Girls Sports Association Top 10 basketball teams, with first-place votes in parentheses and previous rankings:

Class 4A				
	W-L	Pts	Prv	
1. Northwestern (5)	4-0	110	2	
2. Homestead (3)	3-0	102	1	
3. Lawrence North (2)	4-0	96	3	
4. Crown Point (1)	2-0	89	4	
5. Penn	3-0	65	6	
6. Fishers	6-0	51	8	
7. Hamilton Southeastern (1)	3-1	47	7	
8. Jeffersonville	4-0	30	T9	
9. Brownsburg	4-1	29	5	
10. North Central	2-1	21	T9	

Others receiving votes: Center Grove, Bedford North Lawrence, Ben Davis, Fort Wayne Carroll, Roncalli, West Lafayette Harrison.

Class 3A				
	W-L	Pts	Prv	
1. Benton Central (11)	4-0	110	1	
2. Salem	4-0	87	4	
3. Gibson Southern	1-0	78	3	
4. Mishawaka Marian	2-0	72	5	
5. Heritage Christian	1-2	54	2	
6. Norwell	3-1	40	8	
7. Silver Creek	3-0	35	NR	
8. Ft. Wayne Luers	2-0	22	NR	
19. Danville	2-0	21	NR	
19. Winchester	2-0	21	NR	

Others receiving votes: Greensburg, Northwood, Fort Wayne Concordia, Vincennes Lincoln, Garrett, Rushville, West Lafayette, Belmont, South Bend St. Josephs, Evansville Memorial, Washington, Hamilton Heights.

Class 2A				
	W-L	Pts	Prv	
1. Triton Central (11)	4-0	116	1	
2. N. Judson (1)	4-0	104	2	
3. Linton-Stockton	3-0	88	3	
4. Shenandoah	2-0	67	5	
5. Vincennes Rivet	2-0	66	7	
6. Lafayette Cent. Catholic	2-0	58	8	
7. Monroe Central	1-0	42	6	
8. University	4-0	29	10	
9. Eastern (Pekin)	2-2	20	4	
10. Crawford Co.	4-2	18	NR	

Class A				
	W-L	Pts	Prv	
1. Loogootee (8)	2-0	135	2	
2. Jac-Cen-Del (1)	2-0	115	3	
3. Trinity Lutheran (2)	1-0	113	4	
4. Oregon-Davis (2)	4-1	98	6	
5. Tecumseh (2)	0-1	92	1	
6. Southwestern (Shelby)	4-0	55	NR	
7. Morgan Twp.	1-1	44	5	
8. Greenwood Christian Aca.	1-1	37	7	
9. Blue River Valley	3-0	31	NR	
10. N. Miami	1-0	25	9	

Others receiving votes: Lanesville, Kouts, North Central Farmersburg, Argos, Edinburgh, West Washington, Northfield, Pioneer, Union City.

NFL

AMERICAN CONFERENCE

East				
	W	L	Pct	PF
New England	9	1	.900	287
Buffalo	7	3	.700	211
N.Y. Jets	3	7	.300	164
Miami	2	8	.200	139

South				
	W	L	Pct	PF
Indianapolis	6	4	.600	227
Houston	6	4	.600	245
Tennessee	5	5	.500	203
Jacksonville	4	6	.400	189

North				
	W	L	Pct	PF
Baltimore	8	2	.800	341
Pittsburgh	5	5	.500	200
Cleveland	4	6	.400	192
Cincinnati	0	10	.000	147

West				
	W	L	Pct	PF
Kansas City	6	4	.600	284
Oakland	6	4	.600	225
L.A. Chargers	4	6	.400	207
Denver	3	7	.300	172

NATIONAL CONFERENCE

East				
	W	L	Pct	PF
Dallas	6	4	.600	286
Philadelphia	5	5	.500	234
N.Y. Giants	2	8	.200	203
Washington	1	9	.100	125

South				
	W	L	Pct	PF
New Orleans	8	2	.800	238
Carolina	5	5	.500	228
Atlanta	3	7	.300	202
Tampa Bay	3	7	.300	277

North				
	W	L	Pct	PF
Green Bay	8	2	.800	250
Minnesota	8	3	.727	289
Chicago	4	6	.400	169
Detroit	3	6	.350	244

West				
	W	L	Pct	PF
San Francisco	9	1	.900	295
Seattle	8	2	.800	275
L.A. Rams	6	4	.600	243
Arizona	3	7	.318	248

Sunday's Games

Baltimore 41, Houston 7
Indianapolis 33, Jacksonville 13
Atlanta 29, Carolina 3
New Orleans 34, Tampa Bay 17
Dallas 35, Detroit 27
Minnesota 27, Denver 23
N.Y. Jets 34, Washington 17
Buffalo 37, Miami 20
San Francisco 36, Arizona 26
Oakland 17, Cincinnati 10
New England 17, Philadelphia 10
L.A. Rams 17, Chicago 7
Open: N.Y. Giants, Seattle, Tennessee, Green Bay

Monday's Game

Kansas City vs L.A. Chargers at Mexico City
Thursday's Game
Indianapolis at Houston, 8:20 p.m.

Monday, Nov. 25

Baltimore at L.A. Rams, 8:15 p.m.

Sunday's result

COLTS 33, JAGUARS 13
Jacksonville 7 0 0 6—13
Indianapolis 7 3 14 9—33

First Quarter

Jac-Chark 34 pass from Foles (Lambo kick), 6:53.
Ind-Mack 13 run (Vinatieri kick), :35.

Second Quarter

Ind-FG Vinatieri 34, 8:26.
Third Quarter
Ind-Johnson 1 pass from Brissett (Vinatieri kick), 8:46.
Ind-Brissett 5 run (Vinatieri kick), :58.

Fourth Quarter

Ind-Hines 7 run (Vinatieri kick), 12:42.
Jac-Chark 20 pass from Foles (pass failed), :59.
A-61,986.

	Jac	Ind
First downs	15	23
Total Net Yards	308	389
Rushes-yards	9-29	36-264
Passing	279	125
Punt Returns	1-0	3-9
Kickoff Returns	1-23	3-54
Interceptions Ret.	1-0	1-0
Comp-Att-Int	33-47-1	15-24-1
Sacked-Yards Lost	2-17	3-23
Punts	6-46.7	3-43.0
Fumbles-Lost	0-0	2-1
Penalties-Yards	8-81	3-20
Time of Possession	26:08	33:52

INDIVIDUAL STATISTICS

RUSHING-Jacksonville, Fournette 8-23, Armstead 1-6, Indianapolis, J.Williams 13-116, Mack 14-109, Rogers 1-18, Brissett 2-12, Hines 3-11, Nelson 1-0, Hoyer 2-(minus 2).
PASSING-Jacksonville, Foles 33-47-1-296, Indianapolis, Brissett 15-24-1-148.
RECEIVING-Jacksonville, Chark 8-104, Fournette 7-34, Conley 6-58, Cole 4-41, Westbrook 4-32, Armstead 2-13, Koyack 1-9, Oliver 1-5, Indianapolis, Johnson 4-38, Ebron 4-27, Hines 3-24, Pascal 2-17, J.Williams 1-31, Rogers 1-11.
MISSED FIELD GOALS-Jacksonville, Lambo 46.

COLLEGE FOOTBALL

AP Top 25

The Top 25 teams in The Associated Press college football poll, with first-place votes in parentheses, records through Nov. 16, total points based on 25 points for a first-place vote through one point for a 25th-place vote, and previous ranking:

	Record	Pts	Pv
1. LSU (54)	10-0	1542	1
2. Ohio St. (5)	10-0	1478	2
3. Clemson (3)	11-0	1442	3
4. Georgia	9-1	1343	5
5. Alabama	9-1	1263	4
6. Oregon	9-1	1243	6
7. Utah	9-1	1155	8
8. Oklahoma	9-1	1144	10

9. Penn St.	9-1	1030	9
10. Florida	9-2	984	11
11. Minnesota	9-1	902	7
12. Michigan	8-2	829	14
13. Baylor	9-1	787	12
14. Wisconsin	8-2	746	15
15. Notre Dame	8-2	676	16
16. Auburn	7-3	623	13
17. Cincinnati	9-1	536	17
18. Memphis	9-1	520	18
19. Iowa	7-3	493	23
20. Boise St.	9-1	379	19
21. SMU	9-1	328	20
22. Oklahoma St.	7-3	200	25
23. Appalachian St.	9-1	154	NR
24. Texas A&M	7-3	132	NR
25. Virginia Tech	7-3	61	NR

Others receiving votes: Indiana 47, Iowa, St. 31, Virginia 23, Navy 13, Air Force 12, Pittsburgh 9, San Diego St., Southern Cal 6, Washington 6, Texas 4, North Dakota St. 1, Illinois 1.

Saturday's result

NO. 16 NOTRE DAME 52, NO. 21 NAVY 20

Navy 0 3 7 10—20
Notre Dame 14 24 7 7—52

First Quarter

ND-Claypool 7 pass from Book (Doerer kick), 9:39
ND-Claypool 47 pass from Book (Doerer kick), 3:11

Second Quarter

ND-Claypool 3 pass from Book (Doerer kick), 12:32
ND-Lenzy 70 pass from Book (Doerer kick), 10:27
ND-FG Doerer 32, 4:45
ND-T.Jones 2 run (Doerer kick), 1:30
NAV-FG Nichols 27, :00

Third Quarter

ND-Claypool 20 pass from Book (Doerer kick), 9:55
NAV-Cooper 43 pass from Olsen (Nichols kick), 1:42

Fourth Quarter

ND-Moala 27 fumble return (Doerer kick), 14:39
NAV-Olsen 2 run (Nichols kick), 5:31
NAV-FG Nichols 36, 1:18
A-74,080.

	NAV	ND
First downs	20	18
Rushes-yards	64-281	31-105
Passing	79	305
Comp-Att-Int	4-13-0	16-22-0
Return Yards	30	9
Punts-Avg.	3-38.66	2-35.0
Fumbles-Lost	4-4	0-0
Penalties-Yards	2-20	2-15
Time of Possession	36:00	24:00

INDIVIDUAL STATISTICS

RUSHING-Navy, Perry 25-117, Ruoss 9-44, J.Carothers 11-41, Fells 3-25, Olsen 10-17, C.Williams 2-14, Maloy 2-12, N.Smith 1-7, Makekau 1-4, Notre Dame, Book 5-31, T.Jones 9-36, Flemister 3-16, Keys 1-11, Armstrong 7-11, Lenzy 1-10, Jurkovec 2-3, Ja.Smith 1-2, (Team 2-(minus 5)).
PASSING-Navy, Perry 3-7-0-36, Olsen 1-6-0-43, Notre Dame, Book 14-20-0-284, Jurkovec 2-2-0-21.
RECEIVING-Navy, Cooper 3-7-3, C.Williams 1-6, Notre Dame, Claypool 7-117, Finke 3-57, Lenzy 2-87, Keys 2-32, Armstrong 2-12.
MISSED FIELD GOALS-None.

NO. 9 PENN ST. 34, NO. 24 INDIANA 27

Indiana 14 0 3 10—27
Penn St. 17 3 7 7—34

First Quarter

PSU-Bowers 12 pass from Clifford (Pinegar kick), 12:04
IU-Fryfogle 38 pass from Ramsey (Justus kick), 9:31
PSU-FG Pinegar 47, 6:22
IU-Ramsey 1 run (Justus kick), 3:27
PSU-Clifford 38 run (Pinegar kick), 1:03

Second Quarter

PSU-FG Pinegar 27, 3:03
Third Quarter
PSU-J.Brown 35 run (Pinegar kick), 10:24
IU-FG Justus 25, 3:04

Fourth Quarter

IU-Ramsey 1 run (Justus kick), 3:27
PSU-Clifford 1 run (Pinegar kick), 1:44
IU-FG Justus 27, :13
A-106,323.

	IU	PSU
First downs	23	21
Rushes-yards	31-91	45-192
Passing	37-1	17-9
Comp-Att-Int	31-41-0	11-23-0
Return Yards	25	60
Punts-Avg.	3-34.33	3-43.66
Fumbles-Lost	3-2	2-1
Penalties-Yards	5-27	1-0
Time of Possession	32:06	27:54

INDIVIDUAL STATISTICS

RUSHING-Indiana, Scott 17-54, Ramsey 12-31, Philoyr 1-10, Hendershot 1-(minus 4), Penn St., J.Brown 21-100, Clifford 10-55, Ford 8-38, Lewis 3-5, Slade 1-1, (Team 2-(minus 7)).
PASSING-Indiana, Ramsey 31-41-0-371, Penn St., Clifford 11-23-0-179.
RECEIVING-Indiana, D.Ellis 7-85, Hendershot 7-51, Fryfogle 5-131, Westbrook 5-34, Philoyr 2-50, Scott 2-4, Hale 1-11, Ro.Walker 1-3, Bjorson 1-2, Penn St., Hamler 2-52, Freiermuth 2-32, Dotson 2-30, J.Brown 2-20, Slade 1-18, Hippenhammer 1-15, Bowers 1-12.
MISSED FIELD GOALS-None.

BIG TEN CONFERENCE

East

	W	L	PF	PA	W	L	PF	PA
Ohio St.	7	0	352	7210	0	515	98	
Penn St.	6	1	227	105	9	1	368	135
Michigan	5	2	221	108	8	2	330	164
Indiana	4	3	209	187	7	3	333	214
Michigan St.	2	5	132	222	4	6	218	256
Maryland	1	6	121	303	3	7	280	343
Rutgers	0	7	45	301	2	8	153	386

West

	W	L	PF	PA	W	L	PF	PA
Minnesota	6	1	256	121	9	1	357	209
Wisconsin	5	2	188	134	8	2	346	134
Iowa	4	3	136	90	7	3	240	124
Illinois	4	3	203	197	6	4	307	257
Purdue	3	4	159	186	4	6	245	278
Nebraska	2	5	148	236	4	6	258	299
Northwestern	0	7	63	198	2	8	145	235

Saturday's Games

Northwestern 45, UMass 6
Wisconsin 37, Nebraska 21
Penn St. 34, Indiana 27
Michigan 44, Michigan St. 10
Ohio St. 56, Rutgers 21
Iowa 23, Minnesota 19

Saturday, Nov. 23

Purdue at Wisconsin, TBA
Minnesota at Northwestern, TBA
Illinois at Iowa, Noon
Penn St. at Ohio St., Noon
Michigan St. at Rutgers, Noon
Michigan at Indiana, 3:30 p.m.
Nebraska at Maryland, 3:30 p.m.

COLLEGE BASKETBALL

The Top 25

The top 25 teams in The Associated Press' college basketball poll, with first-place votes in parentheses, records through Nov. 17, total points based on 25 points for a first-place vote through one point for a 25th-place vote and last week's ranking:

	Record	Pts	Prv
1. Duke (52)	4-0	1608	2
2. Louisville (8)	4-0	1501	4
3. Michigan St. (4)	2-1	1496	3
4. Kansas	2-1	1389	5
5. North Carolina	3-0	1262	6
6. Maryland	3-0	1240	7
7. Virginia (1)	3-0	1232	9
8. Gonzaga	4-0	1227	8
9. Kentucky	2-1	1110	1
10. Ohio St.	3-0	1006	16

COLLEGE FOOTBALL

Clifford sends No. 9 Penn State past No. 24 Indiana 34-27

BY TRAVIS JOHNSON
The Associated Press

STATE COLLEGE, Pa. — Penn State’s best offense on Saturday wasn’t explosive or flashy. It was grinding and relentless and it helped keep the No. 9 Nittany Lions’ playoff hopes alive.

Penn State (9-1, 6-1 Big Ten, No. 9 CFP) got three touchdowns from quarterback Sean Clifford who completed 11 of 23 passes for 179 yards and ran for 55 yards in Penn State’s 34-27 win over No. 24 Indiana (7-3, 4-3).

With Penn State ahead by three with 10:45 to play, Clifford led an 18-play, 75-yard drive that burned 9:01 and ended when he plunged in from a yard out to put the game out of reach.

“For our offense to go on an 18-play drive, I haven’t been around many of them,” Penn State coach James Franklin said.

Journey Brown rushed 21 times for 100 yards and added a score for the Nittany Lions who’ll play at No. 2 Ohio State next week, where the top spot in the Big Ten East will be on the line.

Tight end Nick Bowers caught a 12-yard touchdown pass for Penn State and Jake Pinegar kicked a pair of field goals.

Peyton Ramsey completed 31 of 41 passes for 371 yards

and a touchdown and ran for two more for the Hoosiers (7-3, 4-3) who outgained Penn State 462 to 371.

“Offensively, we did things for sure,” Indiana coach Tom Allen said. “Peyton was effective, tough, gritty. We played a good football team today. We’re a good football team too.”

After going three-and-out to start the game, the Nittany Lions recovered a muffed punt and scored on a 12-yard touchdown pass from Clifford to Bowers. Ramsey took advantage of a safety blitz on Indiana’s next possession and hit an open Ty Fryfogle 38 yards downfield to make it 7-7.

Jake Pinegar kicked a 47-yard field goal to put Penn State up 10-7, but Indiana took the lead when Ramsey capped a 63-yard drive with a 1-yard run less than three minutes later.

Clifford put Penn State up 17-14 with 1:03 left in the first quarter when he sprinted up the middle for a 38-yard score. Pinegar added a 27-yard field goal to give Penn State a 20-14 halftime lead.

Brown turned another Indiana turnover into a score when he raced 35 yards early in the third. Ramsey scored on another 1-yard run early in the fourth and Logan Justice kicked two field goals for the Hoosiers.

STARS HURT

Both teams lost their star receivers in the first half. KJ Hamler left in the first quarter after he returned a kickoff but didn’t appear shaken up as he walked off.

Although Hamler didn’t return, he was seen in the tunnel afterward jumping up and down congratulating his teammates.

Meanwhile, Indiana’s Whop Phillyor had to be helped to the locker room after he was sandwiched between Penn State defenders, taking helmet-to-helmet contact from both and fumbling away the ball in the process.

MORE THAN RECEIVERS

The Nittany Lions have used tight ends Bowers and Pat Freiermuth effectively as receivers and blockers, and both shined on Penn State’s final clock-killing drive that included 60 rushing yards on 16 carries.

“They weren’t letting up, but we were moving people,” Bowers said.

GO FOR IT?

The Hoosiers were moving the ball on their opening second-half drive until they got to midfield where Allen opted to fake a punt on fourth-and-1 from his team’s 44.

Penn State saw it coming,

especially when Indiana called a timeout in order to set up its spread punt alignment and protector Peyton Hendershot bobbled the direct snap, making him an easy target for a gang of Nittany Lions to tackle him well behind the sticks.

Brown galloped for a 35-yard touchdown run two plays later to put Penn State up 27-14.

MISSED OPPORTUNITY

Indiana had a shot to cut Penn State’s lead to six late in the third.

Ramsey had steered the offense down to Penn State’s 7-yard line and had wideout Donovan Hale open in the corner of the end zone, but Hale dropped the ball and the Hoosiers had to settle for Justice’s second field goal of the afternoon.

THE TAKEAWAY

Indiana: The Hoosiers kept Penn State’s offense off-balance most of the way. They also got stops on defense until they needed one most late in the fourth quarter.

Penn State: The Nittany Lions, who hadn’t allowed a first-quarter touchdown all season before last week, have now allowed four over their last two games. They continued to give up big plays but made enough adjustments at halftime.

tom of the conference right now but there are a lot of games left and a lot of parity in the conference this year. Maybe more than one loss still wins the conference this year. We’re not out of it; we just dug ourselves a little bit of a hole and have to battle the rest of the way.”

Manchester, now 1-3 on the year, steps out of the county on Tuesday when the team travels east to face 1-1 Adams Central.

Troyer said the Jets were a solid program that won six-straight games after falling to the Squires in their season opener last year and expected the hosts to be a strong challenge for the squad.

“Adams Central was a young team last year with a new coach,” Troyer said. “They looked really good as the year went on and thankfully we caught them in their first game of the year last year. We have to be prepared because it’s a tough road contest, one that we have to be more disciplined in. We get to see how we respond as we have one practice to get dialed back in and hopefully we’ll see another step of improvement on Tuesday night.”

game at 23-23 going into the locker rooms.

While the Eagles limited the Norse to 17 second-half points, much of that damage came on the offensive glass, an area Law noted his side struggled on in the final two quarters.

“Our defense has been pretty good the last two games,” he said. “It’s going to have to be. We don’t have a lot of offensive fire power right now and until we get that developed, we’re going to have to be really strong defensively.”

“Northfield is so physical, athletic and crash the glass hard. That was a big key for us all week trying to get ready for them was to block out,” Law added. “I thought we did a decent job in the first half of limiting them to four but then we gave them eight in the second half and they scored a lot of those. They’re pretty relentless on the glass and we’ve got to be strong defensively and we’ve got to block out well.”

Abby Shaw added eight points for Oak Hill, Kate Hornocker had seven and Selleck scored all five of her points in the second-period run. Northfield saw Stout chip in eight, Hoover seven, Baer four and Rosen three.

Both sides sit at 1-2 on the season after the contest. Northfield travels to Eastbrook on Wednesday while Oak Hill travels to Jay County on Tuesday.

COLLEGE FOOTBALL

Purdue hits road in must-win situation to earn bowl bid

BY MICHAEL MAROT
AP Sports Writer

The Purdue Boilermakers understand the stakes.

Pull an upset Saturday at No. 14 Wisconsin and they still could become bowl-eligible. Lose and they will be home before Christmas.

It’s that simple, though coach Jeff Brohm prefers discussing just about anything else at this point of the season.

“It will be a challenge for us to be able to go up to Madison and find a way to win,” he said Monday. “I think our guys will be energized, enthused about the opportunity. Hopefully we can go out there compete hard, play hard, play to the end and see what we can do.”

Purdue (4-6, 3-4 Big Ten) doesn’t have any other choice if it intends to qualify for a third straight postseason game.

The Boilermakers must win their final two games, at Wisconsin and home against rival Indiana, just to reach the six-win threshold.

But the scenario looks, mathematically, much more feasible than it did three weeks ago having already staved off elimination twice. They rallied for their second straight win over Nebraska, 31-27, on Nov. 2 and used a 39-yard field goal to beat Northwestern 24-22 on the road the following week.

Now comes perhaps the most challenging part to stay alive: beating the Badgers (8-2, 5-2), who moved back into contention for the West Division title after Minnesota’s loss last weekend.

“When you watch Wisconsin’s defense throughout the course of the season, you look at Ohio State, you look at some of the things Nebraska did — pretty much when you’ve had a running quarterback, you spread the field, that’s what’s hurt them,” Brohm said. “I don’t know if that’s what we can do at this point, but that is what’s hurt

them.”

Historically, this has not been a good series for Purdue, either. Wisconsin has won 18 of the last 23 and 13 in a row, dating to the Boilermakers’ last win on the road in 2003.

And despite having a second bye to get ready for the Badgers, Purdue still will be short-handed because of injuries.

The top two quarterbacks, Elijah Sindelar (broken collarbone) and Jack Plummer (broken ankle), are not expected to play so Aidan O’Connell, a former walk-on, will likely make his second straight start.

Brohm continues to be uncertain about the availability of All-American receiver Rondale Moore (hamstring), receiver Jared Sparks (ankle) or defensive tackle Lorenzo Neal (knee). Sparks missed four games with the injury, returned against Iowa on Oct. 19 then reinjured it and hasn’t played since.

Moore has been out since getting hurt Sept. 28 and Neal hasn’t played at all this season.

“We’re as hopeful as you that at some point both of those guys will be back,” Brohm said. “It’s still at the point where we’ll see if they can practice this week. As we get going on Tuesday, we’ll see what they can do and how they feel. Really, until that happens, I can’t be truly optimistic. But I’m hopeful that eventually it can happen.”

Getting some of them back certainly would seem to give the Boilermakers the kind of boost it will need at Wisconsin with their postseason plans on the line.

“We’ve got a great opportunity against an outstanding football team that’s played extremely well,” Brohm said. “They’re big, they’re physical, they’re strong. They do all the small things correctly.”

KYLE

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lead bounce between two and four points before giving way to a run from the guests. The Giants closed the half with a 15-6 run to double up the Apaches at the half 22-11 with Kyle notching a double-double in the opening two periods with 10 points and 10 rebounds.

“I felt like we started out real slow offensively,” Mays said. “Our defense was outstanding. We came out and pressed. We didn’t make them turn it over a whole lot in the beginning but I felt like we slowed it down and didn’t let their shooters really get in a rhythm.”

“They had (Mariah Wyatt) and she was really trying to get active in the post but I felt like we were rotating really well in our 3-2 (zone). I think we were rushing on offense and couldn’t get in a groove in the beginning. But once we slowed down and let our offense come to us and take shots we want to take, we did well.”

The offense bogged back down for much of the third period for both sides with a pair of Kyle free throws off-set by a layup from Mariah Wyatt as Wabash trailed 24-13 in the closing 90 seconds. But the guests put together a swift and ultimately decisive run in the final 1:30, using four points from Kyle and two from Ellie Vermilion to open up a 30-13 lead heading into the fourth.

Jeffries and Vermillion continued the run, which eventually added up to an 11-0 spurt, to start the fourth as the lead reached 35-13. Wyatt again temporarily stopped the bleeding with a layup but Kyle put the finishing touches on her stellar night with a three-point play to kick start a 9-0 run.

“We wanted to double her and most of the time,” Stone said of the gameplan

for Kyle. “I thought we did a good job. I told the girls ‘She needs to work as hard as she can to get every one of her points.’ I thought there were two times in the whole game where she got an easy bucket. The rest of the time, we made her work for them. There were a couple of possessions where we did a really poor job of knowing where Vermilion was. But that was our plan. We’re going to double Kyle anytime she gets it...and let’s know where Vermilion is. If you would have told me we were going to hold them somewhere around 40 (points), I would have told you I thought we had a chance.”

Vermilion finished with 16 points, nine of those coming in the second period, while Jeffries had the remaining seven points for Marion.

For Wabash, Wyatt had seven while Mattern and Isabelle Davis had three apiece. Linda Cordes and Alivia Short each scored two points. Ten of the Apaches 17 points on the night came in the second period as the hosts scored just one point in the first, two in the third and four in the fourth.

Matters won’t get any easier for Wabash, who fall to 1-2 with the loss, as they travel to Warsaw on Wednesday. The Tigers are 2-0 on the season with a commanding win over Manchester 82-29 already in the books.

“Warsaw is going to be a bear,” Stone said. “The one good thing is they won’t have anybody that is 6’5”. And we have played these two (teams) that are very aggressive. Hopefully, we don’t feel overmatched that way. But they’re going to be very good. They’re very good fundamentally, they have a nice team, we know we have our hands full. Life becomes a little easier after that.”

Marion improves to 3-1 with the win and will travel to Madison-Grant on Tuesday.

BRAVES

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the hosts a second scorer with a three at the 4:22 mark of the period while Morgan Parrett hit a pair of close-range baskets to trim the deficit to 23-17.

West scored again following a Moore basket but late baskets from the Wilsons, a McKenna two and Madison three, gave Maconaquah a 32-20 lead at the break.

Right out of the gates to start the third quarter, Maple converted a three-point play and Madison Wilson hit a three to give the visitors a 38-20 lead.

The quick burst was followed by a four-minute scoreless gap until Ranissa Shambarger converted a second-chance basket, Kiera Hatfield nailed a three and Mackenzie Day hit 1-of-2 at the line to wipe out Maconaquah’s early scores.

Maple would score on the break after a McKenna Wilson steal, followed by a Madison Wilson basket to take the lead back out to 16 and while Parrett closed the quarter with a basket, Manchester still trailed 42-28

heading into the final period of play.

“We switched to man, something the girls were comfortable with and did a good job of being disciplined,” Troyer said about keeping the game close through the third quarter. “We did a good job of knowing where (Maple) and (Merritt) were. We got our focus midway through the third quarter and carried into the fourth. We need to be focused much sooner and execute.”

Shambarger started the quarter with a three that was answered by a McKenna Wilson basket but the Braves would not score again until there was only 1:12 left in the game.

Slowly, the Squires started to chip away at the lead as Garriott scored six-straight points while the visitors failed to convert from the free throw line. Garriott, however, would pick up two quick fouls, the latter her fifth, and sat the final 3:17 of the contest.

Madison Wilson missed both free throws off the foul and Shambarger hit 1-of-2 at the other end to bring the lead down to six a 44-38. McK-

enna Wilson next missed the front end of a one-and-one and Shambarger hit a runner with 1:19 left to close the gap to four. Maple finally converted two free throws at the line to extend the lead to 46-40 while on the other end Bailey Mooney was called for a charge to give the ball back to Maconaquah.

Maple and West would trade off single free throws while Hatfield could not convert an and-one following a steal, leaving the Braves with a two-possession lead and :32.9 left to see out. Merritt was fouled and hit the first free throw only for Maple to secure an offensive rebound on the miss, leading to another trip to the line.

After missing both free throws, Maple was able to corral the offensive rebound for a second time, knocking down the next two foul shots to finally seal the game and give the visitors a 1-0 start to conference play.

Garriott led all scorers with 19 points while Parrett, Hatfield and West each had six points.

“We told the girls it’s one conference game,” Troyer said about the early TRC loss. “Yeah, we’re at the bot-

EAGLES

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quarters and battled back. “I thought that showed a lot of heart from our team. It’s hard to win close games at the end with experienced teams let alone a lot of inexperience like we have. I was pleased with the way we finished.”

Each side traded big runs in the first half before eventually heading into the locker room tied at 23-23. The biggest storyline of that half, though, was Westgate managed just four points as a stingy Norse defense collapsed on the forward any time the senior touched the ball.

Halftime adjustments from Law and his staff, though, opened up the court and Westgate took advantage, scoring the last nine points for Oak Hill in the third quarter. Northfield never let the lead reach higher than three points in the period and even briefly led after an up-and-under move in the post by Baker put her side up 31-30 with 2:19 to go in the frame.

Westgate responded with consecutive scores as the Eagles took a 34-32 advantage in the final period. Baker had her own response to open the fourth, scoring consecutive baskets to edge her side back ahead 36-34.

That would serve as the final time the hosts led on the night as Oak Hill used a 7-0 run to match its biggest lead of the game at 41-36 with Westgate scoring the final four points of that spurt.

Northfield would close the gap once more as Emma Hoover converted underneath off a pass from Kenzie Baer and Baker added a fast-break basket to close the gap to 41-40 before a chaotic ending.

The Eagles would call a pair of timeouts before eventually seeing Westgate score on a post move with 48 seconds left to give her side a 43-40 lead. The Norse would turn the ball over and Carlee Biddle would be sent to the line for a one-and-one with 35.5 seconds remaining. The junior would miss the first attempt but the Norse would turn the ball back over and again send Biddle to the line with 21.2 seconds let this time.

Biddle once again missed, giving Northfield yet another chance. After nearly losing possession, the Norse would be forced to call a timeout with 6.4 seconds left. Even still, Hoover, the Norse’s lone three-point threat, would find herself open on the inbounds play for a three-punter that missed long. Addy Rosen would corral the rebound but would be unable to get off a shot before time expired.

Westgate finished with a game-high 19 points, all but four of those coming in the second half as the senior scored 15 of the team’s final 18 points.

“We just weren’t getting her the ball enough,” Law said of the first half. “They were collapsing two and three girls on her all night. But I thought we did a better job of spreading the floor and setting some screens further out on the floor to try to release her a little bit and got her some more touches in the second half.”

Baker nearly matched her shot for shot on the night, tallying a team-high 18 points. Unlike Westgate, Baker did a fair amount of damage in the first half as well. The junior scored the first bucket of the game as Northfield jumped out to a 7-0 lead and carried that to a 13-7 advantage after one.

After increasing the margin to seven in the early moments of the second period on a Rosen freebie, Oak Hill used a 12-0 run to first take the lead at the 5:05 mark on a Coleena Selleck three-pointer before Sell-eck scored again to force a Norse timeout.

Baker helped pull the Norse back into the game as five-straight from the forward was sandwiched by a pair of Kearston Stout baskets as part of a 9-4 run to end the quarter to tie the

Parents are up in arms over boy's photos posted online

DEAR ABBY: My husband and I have a happy, adorable 18-month-old son. Understandably, he's the light of our lives.

Early in my pregnancy, I decided to not post a pregnancy announcement or pictures of him on social media. I felt my son should have the autonomy to build his own social media presence as he saw fit. During the past year, I have felt comfortable sharing about five pictures of him with my 40-plus close friends and family who follow that social media account.

My mother-in-law has been posting pictures of my son to her social media account for a while now. It bothered me, but I didn't voice any concerns because I didn't want to overreact. A few weeks ago, my husband texted her a picture of our son, himself and me. A few hours later, it ended up on her social media account with a filter altering the picture's original color!

My husband and I became extremely upset about it, and my husband agreed to tell her that she could no longer share pictures of our son on social media. Is this appropriate? I don't want to be one of those controlling, domineering parents, but I firmly believe that my mother-in-law should have asked permission prior to sharing any pictures of our son. Am I correct? – New Mom In New York

DEAR MOM: You and your husband should ask yourselves what has upset you more – that his mother shared a family picture with her circle of friends (as you have with 40-plus of yours) or that she altered the color. If you prefer she post no more pictures, ask her to stop and explain why. If it's the fact that she took artistic license, I think you are overreacting and you should let it go.

DEAR ABBY: I am a 70-year-old widower. For the past year I've been dating a woman, "Celeste," and our relationship was growing closer (we were intimate, and we seemed to be becoming a couple). Because she's a big fan of a particular performer who was going to be in our area, I bought tickets for us two months in advance. They were quite expensive. Celeste knew about it and was eager to go.

On the day of the performance, when I went to pick her up, she informed me that she wouldn't be able to go. A friend had just come into town (passing through on business) and surprised her with a visit. She apologized and promised she'd explain later that weekend.

Well, the man turns out to be a former beau she hadn't seen in about a year. Celeste seems to think I should be OK with her canceling our date, but I can't help but feel she was wrong to do it so she could spend the weekend with a former lover. (What am I? A consolation prize?) I ended the relationship over the brush-off she gave me, but she is trying to renew things. Was I wrong to take this as serious enough to end the relationship? – Perplexed Ex In Missouri

DEAR EX: You were not wrong. Celeste stood you up, which was, to say the least, inconsiderate of your feelings. (Did she offer to reimburse you for those tickets? I'm betting she didn't.) She's trying to renew the romance with you (for now) because her former beau's visit ended. When he called, she should have told him she had a previous commitment and honored it. That she didn't shows she is self-centered and will continue to be if you allow it.

Eligible men your age are a hot commodity. It shouldn't be too hard to find someone who appreciates what you have to offer. Move on.

Dear Abby



CROSSWORD

ACROSS

- 1 Go to court
- 4 Lose color
- 8 Combat
- 11 Cash giver, for short
- 12 Zealous
- 13 Indulge
- 14 Derrick arm
- 15 Obi-Wan, for one
- 16 Really skimps
- 17 Vinegar acid
- 19 Young Cratchit
- 21 Jeweler's unit
- 22 Apple product
- 26 Moat possessor
- 30 Floor
- 31 Sub shop
- 34 Also
- 35 Bad sign
- 36 Put out heat
- 37 Packing slip (abbr.)
- 38 Fresh
- 39 Band need
- 40 Cleric
- 42 Precise beam

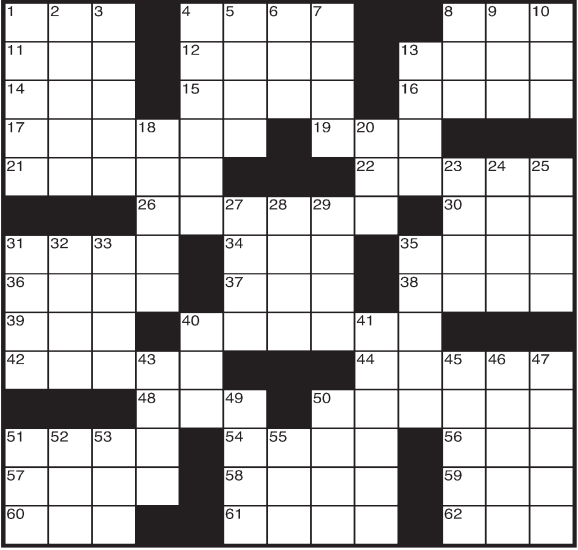
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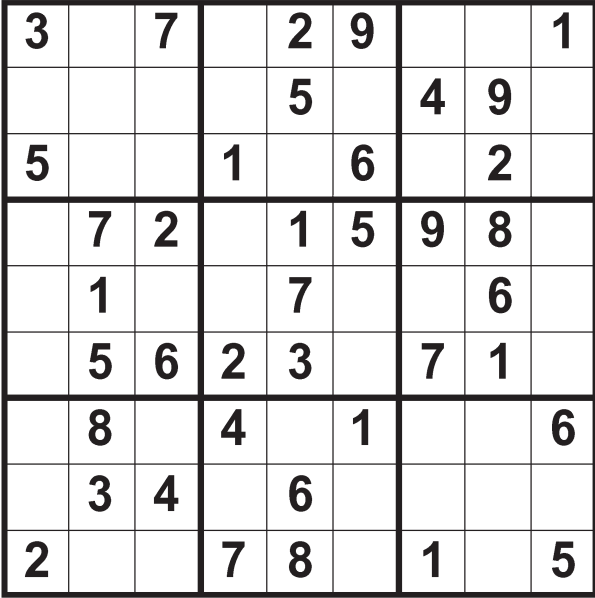
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- 29 Feel warmly toward
- 31 Negotiate
- 32 Stone or Watson
- 33 Gloss target
- 35 Of the eye
- 40 Inverse of "post-"
- 41 Medicine man
- 43 Major Hoople's exclamation
- 45 "The Trial" author
- 46 DeGeneres of daytime
- 47 Pitch
- 49 Become liquid
- 50 Cracker topper
- 51 Vet patient
- 52 Coffee maker
- 53 Smidgen
- 55 Volcanic dust



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How to play:

Complete the grid so that every row, column and 3x3 box contains every digit from 1 to 9.

PREVIOUS SOLUTION

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5	8	1	7	4	6	2	3	9
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3	9	5	4	2	1	7	6	8
4	7	6	9	8	3	5	1	2
8	1	2	6	5	7	9	4	3

JUMBLE

Unscramble these Jumbles, one letter to each square, to form four ordinary words.

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CAPUTE

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THAT SCRAMBLED WORD GAME

By David L. Hoyt and Jeff Knurek



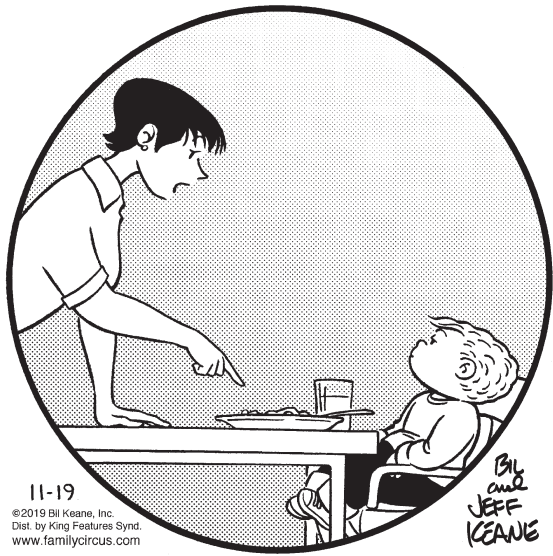
Now arrange the circled letters to form the surprise answer, as suggested by the above cartoon.

(Answers tomorrow)

Yesterday's Jumbles: EXERT FORCE CAMPUS INVOKE Answer: For Dennis, finding room for dessert was a — PIECE OF CAKE

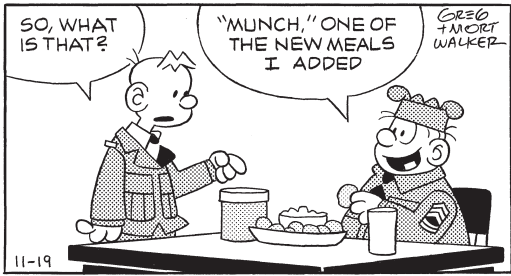
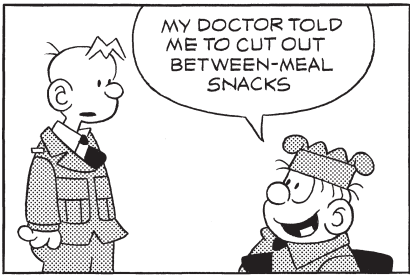
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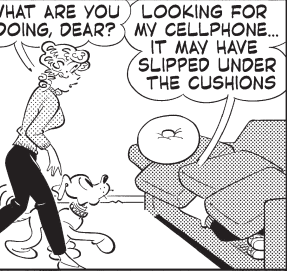
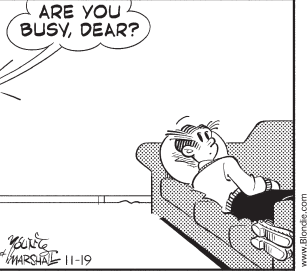
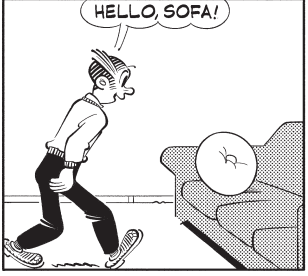


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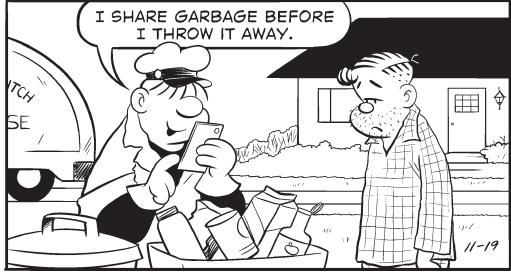
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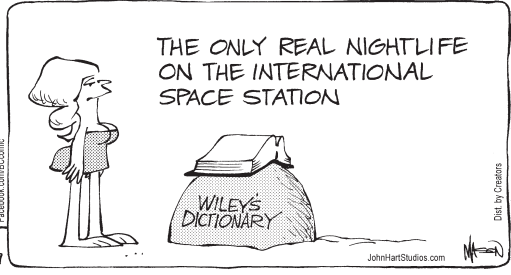
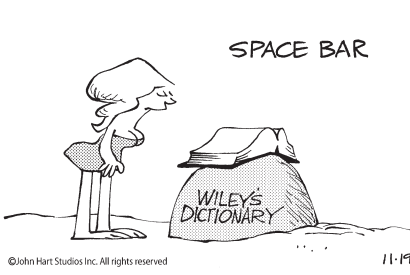
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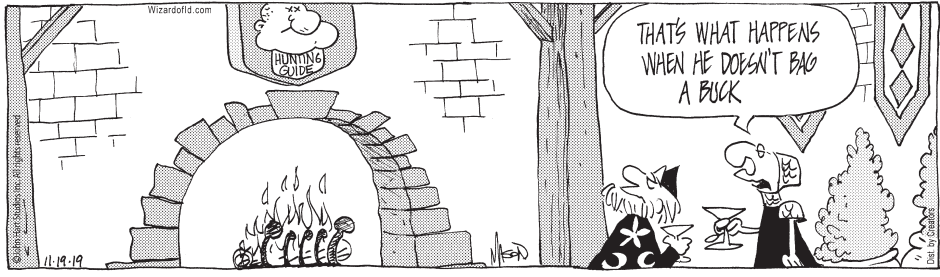
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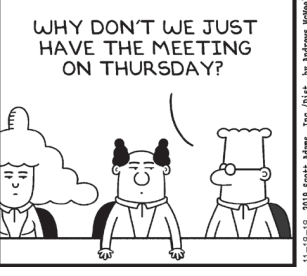
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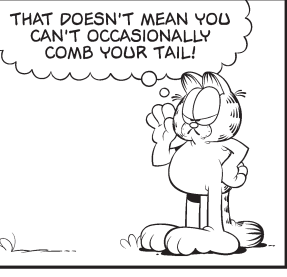
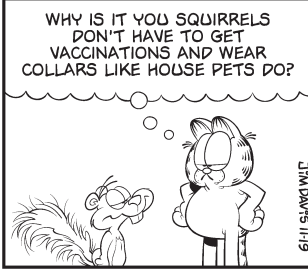
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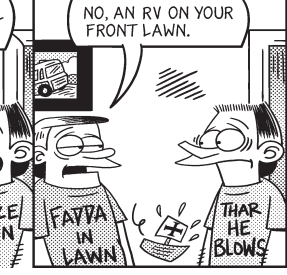
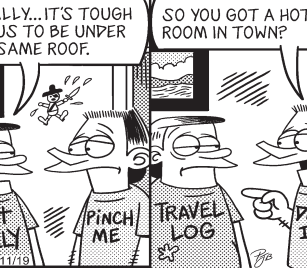
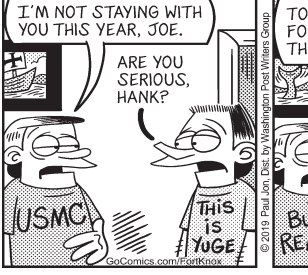
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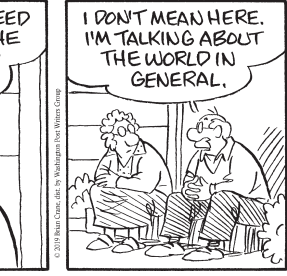
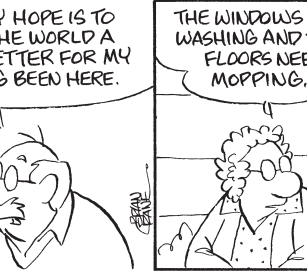
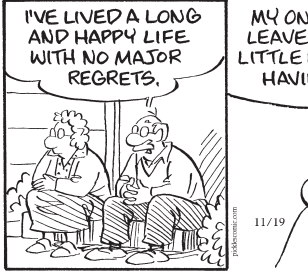
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PICKLES



We should not put trust in mere humans

From the writings of the Rev. Billy Graham

Q: How can I overcome disappointment in people who claim to be Christians and later in life abandon all they believed? It seems it makes a mockery of my faith — D.F.

A: Once there was a woman who seemed to be a perfect example of Christian character: active in her church, respected in her community, above reproach in her personal life, always available to lend a helping hand to others. But when she received the news that she only had a few months to live, she became a totally different person. She quit her job, dropped her old friends, and turned her back on church, saying that she had been good long enough. She spent her last days

catching up on all the fun she had missed. She found a new set of friends with no sense of morality and hung out with them at bars and nightclubs. Until the day she died, she scorned everything she had practiced most of her life. Her only appearance in church during those last months was on the day of her funeral, in her coffin.

How could someone who was apparently so upstanding and honorable suddenly throw it all overboard, abruptly turning her back on decency and morality? Only

God knows, of course. Only God knows whether her professed faith in Him was genuine, or if it was only to impress others.

We must never set ourselves up as anyone's final judge. But one thing is clear: Her faith had not changed her on the inside. The lesson is that we should not put trust in mere humans. They are as frail as breath (Isaiah 2:22). We must keep our eyes on the One who never disappoints. His name is Jesus and He never changes.

CELEBRITY CIPHER

by Luis Campos

Celebrity Cipher cryptograms are created from quotations by famous people, past and present. Each letter in the cipher stands for another.

" K D H U G Z M C X Y Z W A K V B P I W O W P G X O U
W V J B X G G K V B Y W K J S M O K G , W V J
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J W A K J K X . " — O W K V V N K Z U M V

Previous Solution: "I'm pretty much a straight guy on 'The Office.' We can't all be crazies. You need some balance." — Oscar Nunez

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